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Split TUC is feared as pit rebels form union

By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

The Shadow Cabinet is facing the TUC can be allowed to drag on until the conferences in the autumn of 1986, which would be uncomfortably close to the general election, Labour leaders believe.

Mr Eric Hammond, general secretary of the EETPU and standard bearer for the hard right, said the TUC should now "think very deeply" before suspending his union or the engineers.

A number of union figures yesterday rallied to the idea of a commission of conciliation suggested by Mr David Bassett to find a settlement of the difference in the coal industry. But most felt the schism is too deep and bitter after the year-long strike to be capable of resolution.

Some of that bitterness may show itself today when the 17,750 miners in Nottinghamshire who voted for the UDM go back to work with the 6,792 who voted to stay with the NUM. One National Coal Board official, however, thought that the conflict might not emerge for some weeks when the two unions compete to represent the pitmen.

The UDM this week hopes to finalize a pay deal for the 27,000 miners in the Nottinghamshire area, but the NUM appears to be further away from an agreement. The breakaway union is committed to incentive and bonus schemes, whereas the NUM's policy is to go for increases on basic pay.

Mr Ian MacGregor, NCB chairman, has welcomed the new organization, but some coal board officials are concerned at how the system will work. It is not clear whether all Nottinghamshire pitmen will get the UDM rise, or only those who opt for it. Some managers believe the split will mean that some coal faces are manned by

Neither of the two issues

Besieged white kills black in Cape attack

From Ray Kennedy, Johannesburg

A white man opened fire and shot dead a black and wounded three others yesterday after a crowd attacked him in a pick-up truck near Cape Town.

Police said Mr V. A. Momborg and his father, aged 57, suffered head injuries when a brick was hurled through the windscreen. One of them opened fire with a heavy calibre firearm.

Overnight two blacks were shot dead by police in Cape Town's black township of Langa and a black woman, aged 48, died in a petrol bomb attack on her home in Sterkstroom black township in the Eastern Cape Province.

But police kept a low profile at the funerals on Saturday of eight people shot in last week's Cape Town riots after sealing off the Athlone Coloured district with more than 1,000 armed men.

At least 15,000 people attended the funeral of Mr Abdul Fridi, shot dead by police outside an Athlone mosque on Thursday. Muslim and some Christian clerics led the mammoth procession of mourners who held hands chanting "Allahu Akbar" (God is the Greatest).

Some carried the ANC flag while others bore placards displaying verses from the Koran as well as ANC and United Democratic Front slogans. Sheikh Nazem Mohamed, President of the Muslim Judicial Council, called for a united front "against the forces

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Organizers addressing an estimated 10,000-strong crowd at the anti-militant rally at Liverpool's Pier Head yesterday.

Hurd devising new strategy for inner city action

By Anthony Bevin, Political Correspondent

Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, is to ask the Prime Minister to shake up government action on the inner cities in the wake of the recent riots in Handsworth, Brixton and Tottenham.

It is expected that the coordination of the inner city action programme will be taken from Lord Young of Graftonham, Secretary of State for Employment, and that overall direction of government policy will be given either to Mr Hurd or to Lord Whitelaw.

Mr Hurd said last week that ministers would be examining whether inner city aid was being correctly targeted, and he added: "After the experiences we have had in the last few weeks, that is the first question which needs a fairly rigorous answer."

A meeting of ministers last week concluded that the present system of coordination, a Cabinet subcommittee chaired by Lord Young, needed to be revamped to give particular emphasis to the difficulties faced by disaffected young blacks, described by Mr Hurd on Friday as "the under which caught fire in the recent incidents".

Mr Hurd is to draft a minute for Mrs Margaret Thatcher in which he will suggest that the Home Office, the Department of Education, and the Department of Health and Social Security need stronger representation.

Lord Young's design leadership goes back to last April when he took charge of the newly-created city action teams, regional directors from the Department of Environment, the Department of Trade and Industry, the Department of Employment and the Manpower Services Commission, who had been asked to improve coordination and results of government spending in the inner city partnership areas of Birmingham, Merseyside, Manchester-Salford, Newcastle-Gateshead, Lambeth, Islington and Hackney.

Mr Hurd is to reply to a Labour debate on the inner city disturbances in the Commons on Wednesday.

A packed meeting at Tottenham town hall yesterday afternoon set up a campaign to "bring justice" to those arrested and "brutally treated during police raids" on homes on the Broadwater Farm Estate, incidents which sparked off the Tottenham riots (Robin Young writes).

The meeting, to which the press was not admitted, was called at the instigation of the Broadwater Farm Youth Association and the Harlebury Independent Police Committee.

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Liverpool withdraws redundancy notices

By Colin Hughes

Liverpool City Council leaders yesterday agreed to withdraw redundancy notices issued to all 31,000 staff and work with a joint Labour Party and national trade union initiative aimed at bridging the city's £225 million budget gap.

If the salvage bid fails the council will go bankrupt in three weeks because financial institutions are no longer willing to lend it money.

Labour Party national executive members were cautious yesterday about the chances of solving the crisis, but were delighted at winning a significant shift in the attitude of Liverpool's militant leadership.

They attributed the apparent turn-around to growing signs of militant's unpopularity, in the city and among broad left Labour councillors. An anti-militant demonstration at Pier Head in Liverpool drew a crowd of more than 10,000. Most were Conservative and Liberal supporters, but a character found many Labour voters among them.

A meeting between the general secretaries of nine trade unions and the council's leaders agreed to hold an independent inquiry into the city's finances. The rescue package proposed was actually sealed in private on Saturday when Mr David Blunkett, the Sheffield council leader visited Liverpool.

Four local government finance experts will analyse Liverpool's books. They are: Dr Maurice Stonehouse, former director-general of the Greater London Council; Mr Martin Pilgrim, financial secretary of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities; and Mr Grenville Folwell and Mr John Marlow, treasurers of Sheffield and Camden.

Scepticism about the chances of finding a solution were reinforced by clear differences between the two sides after the meeting. While the union leaders said no solution would be ruled out, the councillors insisted they would reject any package which raised money by capitalizing housing receipts, because that would involve cuts in jobs and services.

Mr Derek Hatton, the council's deputy leader, said: "We have made it very clear to the trade unions today, and none disagreed, that any options we discuss will be on the basis of no loss of jobs or services to compensate for Tory cuts".

Thatcher refuses to budge over sanctions

From Nicholas Ashford, Nassau

Mrs Thatcher has maintained her solitary stand against economic sanctions against South Africa throughout a weekend of intense diplomatic activity as Commonwealth leaders sought to reach agreement on a programme of joint action to end apartheid in the white-ruled republic.

So far all attempts by a group of four Commonwealth leaders, who have been carrying out the negotiations with Mrs Thatcher on behalf of the other 40-odd members of the association to persuade her to modify her implacable opposition to economic sanctions, have failed.

Although Mr Bob Hawke, the Prime Minister of Australia and a member of the negotiating team, insisted yesterday that progress was being made, some Commonwealth officials privately expressed concern that the summit may conclude later this week without consensus being reached on a plan of action against apartheid.

Mr Hawke said they were trying to corral Mrs Thatcher into agreeing to sanctions - but the lady's not for corraling," retorted a British official.

The venue for the talks moved from the delegates' luxury beach-front hotel just outside Nassau to an exclusive millionaires' resort at Lyford Cay, on the westerly tip of New Providence island, where the leaders were spending a private weekend.

These weekend retreats, a traditional part of Commonwealth summits, are intended to allow the leaders to mingle informally and to sort out their differences while relaxing in swimming pools or over games of golf.

However throughout Saturday Mrs Thatcher scarcely moved from the house, named Bali Hai, which has been loaned for the weekend by a Canadian millionaire. She did not even join her colleagues for lunch, saying that she was busy working on a speech she will deliver to the United Nations General Assembly next Thursday.

Instead members of the negotiating group kept going backwards and forwards to present various compromise proposals to her - all of which she turned down because they contained sanctions.

The four leaders involved in the negotiating group are Mr Hawke, Mr Brian Mulroney, Prime Minister of Canada, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, and President Kaunda of Zambia.

In some of their discussions, they have also been joined by Mr Robert Mugabe, Prime Minister of Zimbabwe, Mr Shabash Ramphal, the Commonwealth Secretary General, who has also played a role in these talks.

Yesterday morning Mrs Thatcher joined all of the other leaders for a round of tough talking which went on for almost five hours, the talks were due to resume later in the evening.

The four leaders have prepared a broad package of proposals for dealing with South Africa which contain elements put forward by each of them.

It would involve a declaration of the Commonwealth's abhorrence of apartheid and its determination to see this system of racial discrimination brought to an end as soon as possible.

Joseph wants to see teachers sued

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said yesterday that he wished some local education authorities would take the teachers' action to court over their disruptive action in the pay dispute.

Speaking on Channel 4 television's *Face the Press* programme he repeatedly deplored the action being taken by teachers, saying it was unprofessional. He condemned both the disruptive tactics and the strike action.

Sir Keith said he hoped that English and Welsh teachers would not vote to hit examinations, as their Scottish colleagues had done.

"I hope that they will not sink so low as to behave like that," he said. "They have already sunk in the view of many teachers and heads, very low indeed in doing the damage they are doing."

Sir Keith explained that the Government had conceded the argument that teachers had fallen behind in their pay compared to some other groups. "We have conceded that more pay is needed to attract and retain and motivate people of the right quality to be teachers," he said. "That argument is won."

The Government was prepared to provide an extra £1.25 billion over four years to improve teachers' salary structure so long as they agreed to a definition of what their job entails, he added. This package had been rejected by the teachers' unions.

Last week, Mrs Nicky Harrison, leader of the employers, said after a meeting with Sir Keith that conditions of service were too blurred and confused for the employers to take legal action against teachers. That was precisely why a new definition of teachers' duties was required.

Change in vital statistics for a healthier dog

By Sheila Beardsall

The Kennel Club is to bring out revised standards for all pedigree dogs to help breed out defects which damage their health. The guide could also hasten the end of controversial tail docking.

The new standards will lay down the vital statistics of a perfect dog in each of the 140-odd breeds recognized by the club.

The Kennel Club, which runs Crufts and oversees dog breeding in Britain, has spent nearly four years revising the standards in consultation with breeders, and expects to publish the new guide at the end of the year.



Bulldog: Danger from massive heads



Bloodhound: Droopy look can harm eyes



Shar Pei: Problems with heavily folded skin

dog should look like. After all, we are talking about show dogs going in for a beauty contest and this sets out their perfect vital statistics.

The club and breeders had agreed over the revised standards in all except seven cases. "The breeders all agree that the last thing they want to do is

produce a dog that has a defect," Mr Sinnatt said. "We have the dog world absolutely behind us. The trouble has been that it is sometimes very difficult to find exactly the words we want."

One of the breeds to cause problems had been bulldogs. The present description called for a head "as massive as possible", without any reference to its relationship to the hips. This meant many bitches could not whelp naturally as their pelvic girdles were too narrow and had to have caesarians. It also said the face should be "squashed in" which led to breathing problems.



Canteen food may be a health hazard, unions say

Employees are warned in a report published today, that the canteens could be damaging their health, with only one in five providing the absolute basics needed for healthy eating.

The remainder could be enemies in the fight against excess weight, cancer, high blood pressure and other ailments, one of the main causes of general ill-health in Britain.

The report, carried out by the Labour Research Department, an independent trade union-funded organization, in conjunction with the London Food Commission, is based on a survey of 151 canteens. It found that only 20 per cent provided the "bottom line" in the choice of food needed for a healthy diet - more than two hot dishes and a choice of cooked potatoes, brown bread and fresh fruit daily. Only 45 of the canteens had food for health policies. Prices were generally lower in canteens, 88 per cent of which were subsidized, than outside, with a cup of tea costing an average of 7p and an average main meal costing 77.3p.

The report found that more than one in four workers had taken industrial action over their canteens, most commonly over prices. Common canteen for all employees existed at 69 per cent of workplaces, but at others there were up to four separate eating rooms, with some managements providing with better facilities, waitress service and more choice.

At one place management received free meals while the average cost of a main meal to some workers was £1.25. At another, directors, senior staff, other staff and manual workers ate separately.

Of the 98 comments received from canteens 35 were mixed, 27 in favour and 36 complained.

The General and Municipal Workers' Union is now running a pilot study on the possible availability of healthy food at work, while the London Food Commission is working with the Greater London Council on a menu labelling scheme to give customers information about the calorie, fat, dietary fibre, sugar and salt content of items on the menu.

● Sainsbury's, Britain's largest supermarket chain, yesterday confirmed that it was seeking alternatives to South Africa as a supplier of food, mainly fresh fruit, because of increased customer concern over the republic's apartheid policies (our Agriculture Correspondent writes).

Mr Mike Conolly, the company's marketing director, recently met South African suppliers to express the concern shown by customers, but a spokeswoman emphasized the company was not taking a political stance.

She said all produce sold in its supermarkets, whether fresh or processed, was clearly labelled with its country of origin. It was up to customers to make their own political choice.

She added that any decision to switch purchases to other countries would be solely a commercial one.

● Ethnic restaurants provide better and less costly food than establishments serving British or European meals, according to the Consumer Association's *Good Food Guide* published today (the Press Association reports).

Mr Drew Smith, the editor, said: "Ethnic restaurants now outclass European restaurants for quality of food, value and service in the middle and lower price range."

Prince and Princess demolish a few myths

By Alan Hamilton

It was a gentle put-down, rather than an official denial in the grand manner, of almost the whole edifice of mythical and nearly true folklore which, in the absence of hard fact, the media have constructed over the past four years around the world's most intriguing married couple.

For 45 prime-time minutes last night, the Prince and Princess of Wales faced the cameras of Independent Television News and the cautious prodding of Sir Alastair Burnet in their first joint interview since their wedding.

By the time it ended, there was little comfort left for those who chronicle royalty in the less fastidious public print.

The Princess of Wales, the Prince does not communicate with Lord Mountbatten over the Oubla board; the Princess enjoys polo enormously; the Prince is not an eccentric vegetarian, at least not much; the Princess is not a shopaholic, nor is she a domineering and domineering woman.

And yet, as they sat on a sofa in the drawing room of Kensington Palace, they delivered an occasional revealing insight.

The Princess, still sufficiently natural to appear ill-at-ease despite the drama coaching of Sir Richard Attenborough, declared that there was far too much about her in the newspapers when there were so many more important things going on. Stories that she was domineering sometimes upset her, but she had to face her day's engagements.

But had she not tried to change her husband's habits? Well, perhaps the odd tie. Oh, and the shoes. She dissolved into embarrassed laughter.

"I don't think I am domineering. I am a perfectionist with myself, but not with everybody else."

No, she did not feel any rivalry with Princess Anne. "I am her biggest fan. I could never cram in what she does in a day." Her sister-in-law might have been a godmother had the Wales's second child been a girl.

There is, it appears, a grain of truth in stories that the Princess is wedded to her portable cassette stereo, but she does not, as alleged, subsist on a diet of the pop group "Wham!". Her bias is more classical, and she loves to wear the thing when out for a walk.

The Prince, relaxed, humorous, and self-deprecating, as is many a husband in the presence of his wife, refused suggestions that he is drifting towards the eccentricities of fringe medicine and the occult.

He had begun to examine more closely what he ate, but he could not understand why anyone should be "accused" of being a vegetarian. He ate more meat than fish these days, a dietary trend in which the Princess concurred.

On fringe, or as he preferred to call it, complementary



The Prince and Princess of Wales in their drawing room at Kensington Palace answering questions from Sir Alastair Burnet during their first joint television interview since their wedding.

Lord Clark archive may go to Getty Trust

By Geraldine Norman

The papers of Lord Clark of Saltwood, the distinguished art historian and creator of *Civilization*, the BBC television series, may be sold to the Getty Trust in California to solve the Clark family's tax problems.

The sale of his Turner seascapes for a record £7.3 million last year, together with other treasures from his collection, has not covered capital taxes owed on the estate.

Talks with the trust should come to a climax in the next few months, Mr Alan Clark, the eldest son and an Under Secretary of State for employment, said yesterday. "In case we can't get agreement, I have tentatively been looking at the sale of the archives."

He has been exploring the possibility of a transfer in lieu of tax to a national institution, which is the option he would prefer.

So far only the Getty Trust has seen the papers and, through its agent, put a price on them. The archive division of the embryonic Getty Centre for the History of Art is actively collecting the working papers of scholars. It already had those of Nicholas Pevsner, the architectural historian, who documented the buildings of the British counties.

The Clark papers are still in a mess, according to his son. They comprise notebooks, manuscripts, correspondence, slides, photographs and a big collection of postcards. Only recently the family came upon an important Miro painting among these "cards to be kept" in Lord Clark's desk. It was a "Personnages, oiseaux et soleil" of 1936.

The Clarks do not want to sell anything more from their father's art collection. In selecting items for sale they were careful to keep something from every sector, and they do not want to upset that balance.

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Archbishop of Armagh retires early

By Richard Ford

The Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland, the Most Rev John Armstrong, aged 70, is to retire early next year.

The Archbishop, who has been in ill health recently, has been head of the Church of Ireland for six years, in which time he has built close relations with his opposite number in Armagh, the Roman Catholic Primate of All Ireland, Cardinal Tomás O'Fiaich, and instituted regular meetings of the four main church leaders in Ireland.

It has been known for some time that he was anxious to retire before the next General Synod of the Church of Ireland. His retirement will also give his successor time to prepare for the Lambeth conference in 1988.

Libel writ

Margaret, Duchess of Argyll has started a libel action in the High Court against the author, Mr William Donaldson, and his publishers, Weidenfeld and Nicolson, over references to her book, *Henry Root's A-Z on Women - the Definitive Guide*.

Thatcher return

Mrs Margaret Thatcher has provisionally agreed to perform the re-opening ceremony of the restored Grand Hotel at Brighton, where she escaped death in the IRA bombing a year ago.

Spitfire find

The engine of a Spitfire which crashed on a farm near Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, 42 years ago was recovered in good condition from 26ft down yesterday by the Fenland Aircraft Preservation Society.

Bicycle blues

The Derbyshire police force has recalled its fleet of 114 pedal cycles for modification at a cost of £2,000 after brake failure on several machines.

Women 'weigh risks of birth control'

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

Women make more balanced judgements in choosing and changing between different methods of contraception than their doctors recognize, according to a report on a long-term study group which includes 17,000 participants in 17 clinics in England and Scotland.

The report, by Miss Angela Coulter, of the department of community medicine and general practice at Oxford University, is published in the latest issue of the *British Journal of Family Planning*.

The study group members were recruited by the Oxford Family Planning Association between 1968 and 1974, when they were aged between 25 and 39. The latest investigation concentrated on the younger women, now aged between 35 and 41, from four centres.

The majority had used oral contraceptives for more than four years, and for most of them the contraceptive pill was the first regular method of birth control employed by either partner. Most also began using the pill before 1970 and many mentioned that financial pressures had influenced their decision at the beginning of their marriage.

Miss Coulter reports that the women's decisions on birth control are not taken in a vacuum, but are the product of a complex array of influences. Attitudes are derived from numerous sources: medical advisers, families and friends, the media, and advertising.

Attributing relative weight to those different influences is difficult, but it has become commonplace to blame media interpretations of scientific evidence for frightening women unnecessarily.

On the other side of the debate, Miss Coulter says, doctors are accused of a conspiracy of silence on the harmful effects of oral contraceptives.

Rising fees put future of ice cream vans in doubt

By Tony Samstag

The ice cream van may soon be a thing of the past, according to many in the trade who say they have suffered declining sales and more expensive licensing fees.

Mr Basil Crowhurst, secretary of the Ice Cream Alliance, said: "There is no doubt that the mobbing element, as we call it, is in decline."

Of 1,500 members, more than 500 are independent van operators suffering, in part, from a "quite incredible" welter of local authority fees.

The highest annual fee in Britain is almost certainly charged by York, where a licence to trade within the congested city walls costs £1,000 a year.

Outside, an ice cream vendor will pay £300, probably closer to the national average, although a few local authorities, such as Leeds, still make no charge for registration of a van.

It is only in the past few years that licence fees have risen so sharply.

The Association of Metropolitan Authorities sees the financial pressures of capped rates and lost grants as the most likely reason.

A spokesman said: "Every authority is constantly looking for ways to raise money, and licensing fees are a natural source of income."

Mr Jack Gibson, who owns 16 vans in Bolton, Lancashire, has formed an association to fight local licensing increases of sometimes 5,000 per cent from £5 to £250 in a year.

BA fuels smaller airlines' fears

By Michael Bailey

A drama played out on the Heathrow-Manchester air route in recent months illustrates beautifully the fears of British small airlines have of British Airways. Dan Air, the substantial, but by British Airways standards minute-charter and regional carrier, earlier this year saw gaps in British Airways' eight-flight-a-day shuttle service between the two airports.

The State airlines, its attention drawn to the gaps, quickly filled them itself, putting on extra flights to match those flown by Dan Air.

The shuttle - thanks partly to the galvanizing efforts of another competitor, British Midland, on the Glasgow, Edinburgh and Belfast routes now enjoys a good reputation and Dan Air simply failed to make its way through the traffic. After six months of losses, the airline reluctantly withdrew.

Before doing so, if considered

TOP UK DOMESTIC CARRIERS	
(1984, in thousands of passengers)	
British Airways	4,000
British Midland	1,300
British Caledonian	849
Dan Air	511
Air UK	532
Manx Airlines	243
Loganair	241
Total	8,300

appealing to the Government against "predatory" behaviour by British Airways, but thought better of it since it is not easy to make such a charge stick. After all, who is to say British Airways was not simply reacting to commercial competition? Why had it meekly given up traffic on a route it has developed zealously for years?

Zeal is an essential quality for domestic air operators, because, although the airways were Britain's fastest growing mode of transport last year they remained a tiny proportion of the whole, with 1 per cent of traffic compared with 75 per cent by car and taxi, 14 per cent by bus and coach, and 9 per cent by rail.

With little profit to be made, it is also a highly competitive business, for two reasons. One is a constant flow of eager newcomers wanting to graduate from air taxis to scheduled routes, and going bust in the process. The other is that domestic routes are seen by the big carriers more as shop windows and feeders to their more lucrative long-haul routes than as separate profit centres.

British Airways after many years of losses, claims now to have stemmed the flow, although since it published no separate accounts that cannot be checked externally. British Caledonian loses several pounds a year on its UK routes.

British Midland, however, seems to thrive in this difficult environment. Its much-trumpeted assault on British Airways' Scottish and Belfast shuttle routes three years ago has won 25 per cent of the market, and incidentally greatly improved customer service.

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Craxi recall likely on Italian wave of nationalism after hijacking

From John Earle, Rome

President Cossiga of Italy is expected to ask the Socialist Party leader, Signor Bettino Craxi, today to form a new Government.

Signor Craxi's five-party coalition fell last week in the wake of the Achille Lauro affair, when the Republicans withdrew their support. They had disagreed with his rejection of an American demand to arrest, pending extradition, the Palestinian leader, Mr. Abu Abbas, in an Egyptian aircraft on Italian soil.

After intensive consultations between the president and Signor Craxi has again emerged, however, as the leading contender to head a new government.

His reputation had been boosted on a series of nationalist resentment at American high-handedness after the hijacking of the cruise liner, which brought unprecedented tension with Washington.

Much of this tension evaporated on Saturday at a two-hour meeting between Signor Craxi, the Foreign Minister, Signor Giulio Andreotti, and Mr. John Whitehead, an Italian Secretary of State who brought a consiliatory personal letter from President Reagan.

Afterwards Signor Craxi, who had been hesitating, confirmed that if negotiations on forming a government permitted, he would go to Washington for Thursday's meeting between western heads of government.

At the talks with Mr. Whitehead, the Italians gave their version of events leading from

the hijacking of the cruise ship to the American interception of the Egyptian airliner carrying the hijackers and Italy's decision to let Mr. Abbas go.

Signor Andreotti was quoted as saying that the confrontation between American and Italian forces after the airliner was forced down at the Sigonella Nato base in Sicily could have been avoided if the aircraft had been allowed to land at a civil airport in Italy.

This had been requested by the Egyptian ambassador in Rome, and the Italian Foreign Ministry had agreed.

They discussed the case of Mr. Abbas, who is wanted by Washington on terrorism charges on the basis, as far as is known here, of information gathered by Israeli radio interception.

The Italians had obtained a different view of him from a report submitted by Signor Antonio Badini, Signor Craxi's diplomatic adviser, who boarded the airliner to talk to him while it was on the ground in Italy.

Mr. Abbas had told him that he had been surprised to hear of the hijacking, as it contrasted with the Palestine Liberation Organization's attitude towards Italy. Signor Badini reported, Mr. Abbas had been asked to mediate by the PLO chairman Mr. Yasser Arafat.

Signor Badini wrote: "He [Mr. Abbas] was able to say in all honesty that his role had been decisive in saving the passengers. He had been able to collaborate very effectively with the Egyptian authorities to make the four hijackers give up the pursuance of their criminal act."

Bush calms Hong Kong fears over passports

From David Bonavia Hong Kong

The Hong Kong Government received a political windfall at the weekend when Vice-President George Bush promised that the United States would honour the controversial new passport proposed for issue to some three million people here.

The passport for British Nationals Overseas will replace the present British Dependent Territories Citizen passport used by Chinese and others who have taken British nationality. Neither conveys the automatic right of abode in or even entry to the United Kingdom.

The new passport, which is intended to cope with citizenship problems after China resumes sovereignty over Hong Kong in 1997, will state that the bearer is the holder of a Hong Kong identity card, citing its number, and thus ensuring the ability of the bearer to return to Hong Kong.

It is a unique departure in immigration procedures, and many people fear it will be unacceptable to foreign immigration authorities.

The status of British Nationals Overseas will lapse after the third generation. This bothers particularly the Indian community here, several thousand of whom have been agitating for right of abode in the United Kingdom and claim their descendants will be stateless.



Fellow students holding candles at the funeral of three young victims of police shooting in Cape Town.

£35m vote of confidence in Zimbabwe industry

Harare. - A British-based company, Aberfoyle Holdings, is to provide the biggest injection of private investment capital into Zimbabwe since independence: about £35 million for a huge palm oil project (Jan Raath writes).

The capital exceeds by nearly

£7 million the total foreign investment that has trickled into the country since independence five years ago.

Foreign business has been scared off by the socialist rhetoric of Mr Robert Mugabe, the Prime Minister, as well as by high taxation, dividend

insecurity, high government-controlled wages, strict state management of the hiring and firing of labour, and guerrilla activity in Matabeleland.

A report in the *Herald* newspaper at the weekend said that the Government had

approved a deal which allows Aberfoyle, through a series of subsidiaries, to hold about 70 per cent of shares in a local company, GMHL Investments, a subsidiary of which will develop nearly 30,000 acres of land in the south-eastern Lowveld.

Fire risk row mars Madrid arts festival

From Richard Wigg Madrid

In the middle of the autumn Arts Festival here, intended to put Madrid on the European cultural map, a row has broken out between the Mayor and the Culture Ministry over safety precautions in the National Theatre.

Señor Enrique Tierno, the capital's Socialist Mayor, who ordered the Teatro Nacional de la Zarzuela to close immediately because of fire risk, has fallen foul of the Culture Ministry, which countermanded his order.

"The theatre is in a very bad state and should have been closed, but they would have sent in the Civil Guard to keep it open," the Mayor declared at the weekend. He criticized the Government, which owns the theatre, for having neglected warnings first given eight years ago.

The Culture Ministry maintains that safety improvements costing about £600,000 are already in hand. The theatre was damaged by a big fire only 10 years ago.

Spain's National Ballet danced according to programme on Saturday night.

The Zarzuela, according to a report to the Mayor lacks even a licence for holding artistic functions. It has no emergency lighting, adequate signs to emergency exits or passages wide enough for patrons to escape in the event of fire.

Shultz letter soothes Cairo anger

From Alice Brinton Cairo

Mr John Whitehead, the US envoy dispatched from Washington to Italy and Egypt to heal the breach with the United States after the Achille Lauro hijack, met Egypt's Foreign Minister, Dr Esmat Abdul Meguid yesterday and delivered a letter from the US Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz.

Both Mr Whitehead and Dr Abdul Meguid declined to speak to reporters.

Yesterday President Mubarak denied during a visit to Upper Egypt that his refusal to see Mr Whitehead until today was a rebuff. "He knew I had a busy schedule on Saturday and Sunday."

He said he would listen to what Mr Whitehead had to say about the US interpretation of the interception of the Egyptian plane carrying the hijackers of the cruise liner which he had called "an act of piracy." Efforts were needed by both countries to heal the wound inflicted by the US on Egypt. "I am an Egyptian. I can feel what public opinion is," he said, referring to recent anti-American demonstrations.

The demonstrations against America have also criticized Mr Mubarak's regime, and led to speculation that leftist Muslim fundamentalists might be making use of the campaign to whip up anti-government feelings.

During a demonstration at Cairo University last week students called President Mubarak a coward for not having taken tough action against the US such as severing diplomatic relations. Shouts of "Mubarak, the reviewing stand away from you!" referred to the fate of the late President Sadat who was shot dead by Muslim extremists while watching a military parade on October 6, 1981.

On Saturday students at Cairo's Ain Shams university clashed with hundreds of riot police who used tear gas and batons to push back a crowd throwing stones and bottles.

The students demonstrated despite a warning from the Minister of the Interior, Mr Ahmed Rushdy, calling for an end to anti-American demonstrations.

Mr Whitehead's mission to Egypt is therefore a delicate one. The central question now is whether ordinary Egyptians will forgive what they consider to be American high-handedness quite so soon even if official rifts are healed, and if they will express their feelings more violently.

One American said: "Egyptians here for 25 years said: 'Egyptians have 6,000 years of history. You can't expect them to forget an event which took place a few days ago.'"

Seoul says it sank spy boat

Seoul (AFP-Reuters). - A North Korean "spy boat" found near the southern port of Pusan was sunk in a pre-dawn gun battle by the South Korean Navy and Air Force, the South Korean Defence Ministry announced.

The armed boat was spotted by coast guards approaching in an attempt to put spies ashore, a spokesman said. After a three-hour chase it was engaged and sunk.

Chess timeout

Moscow (Reuters). - The challenger, Gary Kasparov, postponed the eighteenth game of his world chess title rematch with Anatoly Karpov, calling a timeout. Kasparov leads by nine points to eight.

Mexico quakes

Mexico City (AP). - Three more earth tremors, ranging from mild to medium-strong, shook the quake-battered Mexican capital at different times on Saturday. Police and relief agencies had no reports of major damage or injuries.

Sagan better

Paris (AP). - The French author Françoise Sagan, in hospital in Bogota, Colombia, after apparently falling ill with altitude sickness, regained consciousness. She is said to have suffered similar problems from altitude as a child.

Chopin winner

Warsaw (Reuters). - A 19-year-old Soviet pianist, Stanislav Bunin, won the coveted Chopin competition here. Marc Laforté of France was second and Krzysztof Zolonski (Poland) third.

Singer's escape

Bloomington, Indiana (AP). - Ray Charles, the singer, escaped injury when his plane ran off a runway while landing in heavy rain and slid into a cornfield, injuring the pilot.

Duel banned

Asuncion (Reuters). - Paraguayan police intervened to prevent a duel between President Alfredo Stroessner's former son-in-law and a ruling party MP. Hundreds had gathered in carnival atmosphere at a park here to witness the battle.

Body found

Chamonix (Reuters). - West German climbers found the frozen body of Clifford Matthews, a British mountaineer who disappeared in the French Alps in 1978.

Riot during police strike

Stockholm. - Gangs of drunken youths rioted unchecked in Stockholm at the weekend in the wake of nationwide unofficial strike nationwide by police (our Correspondent writes).

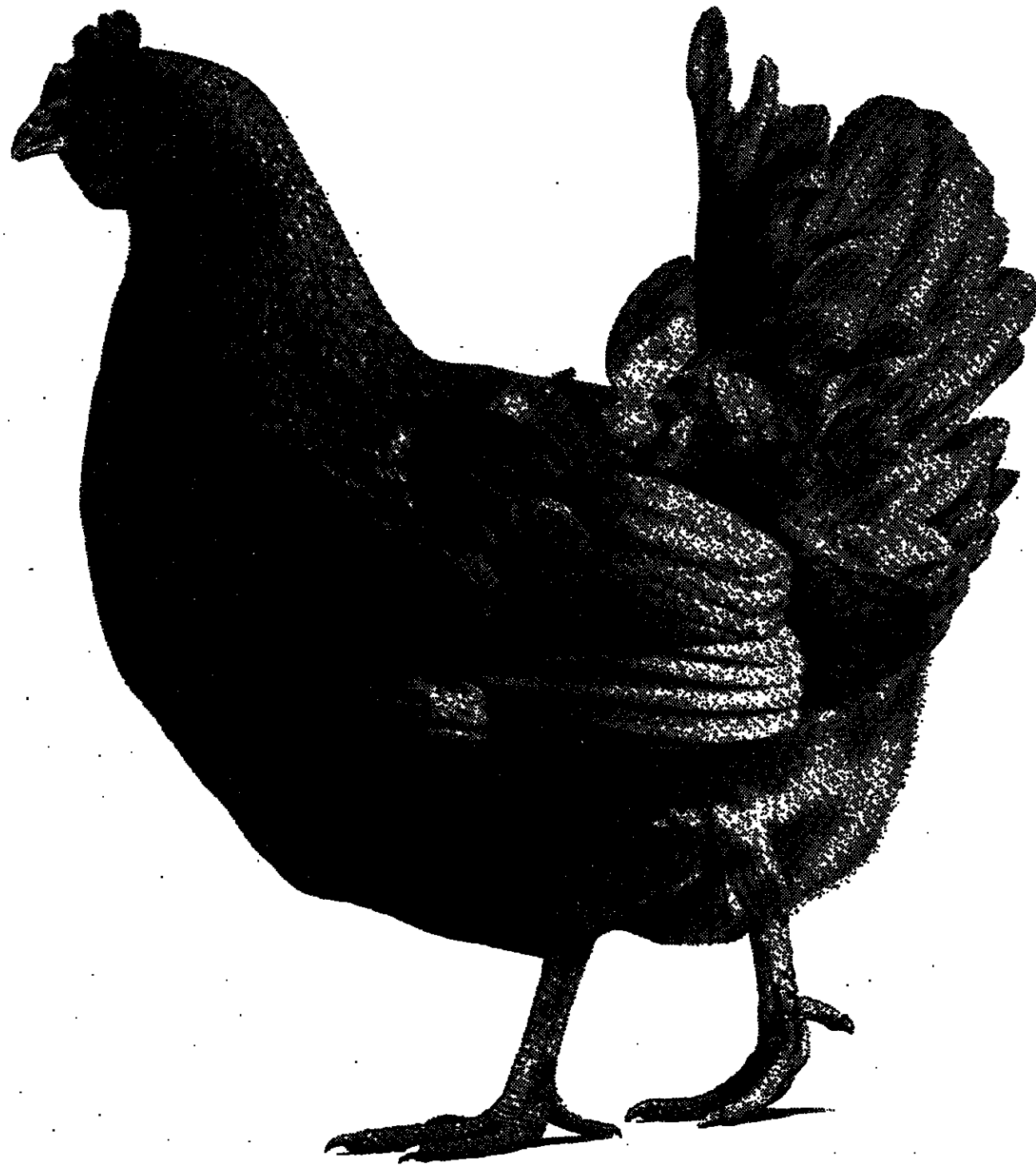
Hundreds of police registered as sick in a protest against poor pay and working conditions.

On Stockholm's working-class south island of Söder, class south island of Söder, windows were smashed as teenage gangs ran riot, and similar disturbances were reported from several of the capital's suburbs. Shops were plundered, knives and guns stolen from Stockholm's principal hunting accessories store, cars overturned and many pedestrians mugged or attacked.

Many more burglaries and shop break-ins than usual were reported.

More than 600 police were on sick leave in Stockholm yesterday, and Gothenberg, Norrköping and Västerås were also badly affected.

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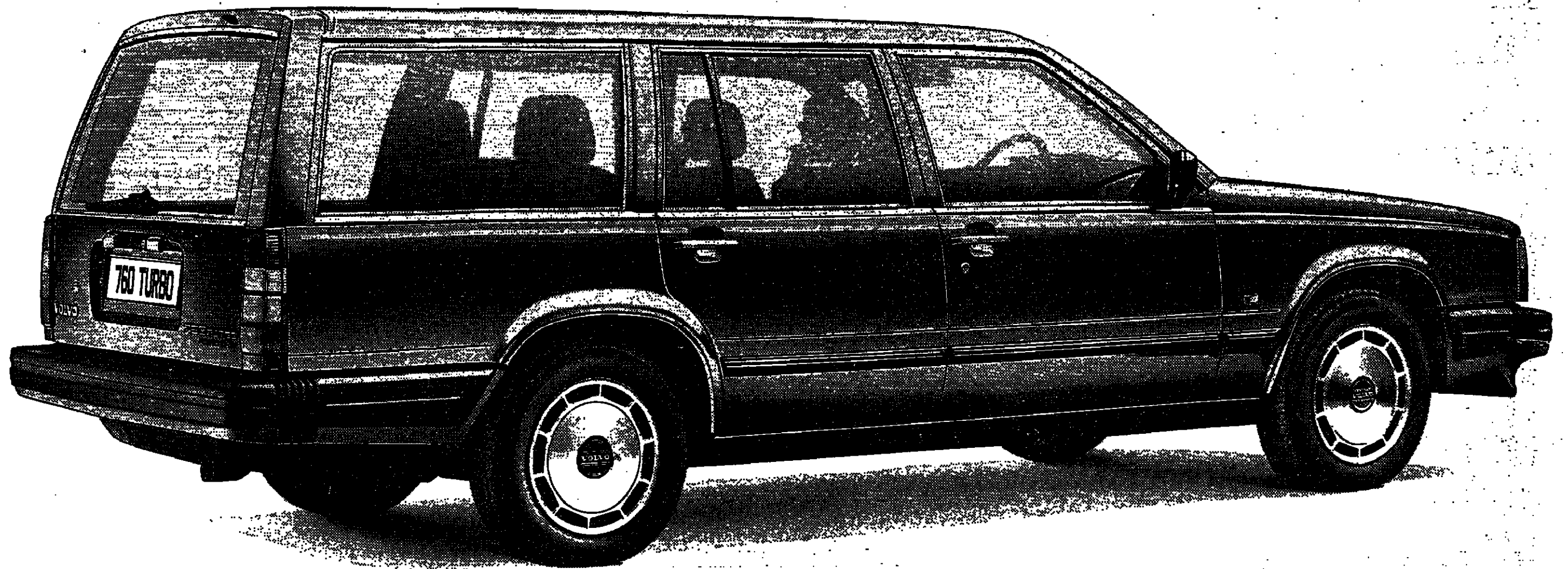
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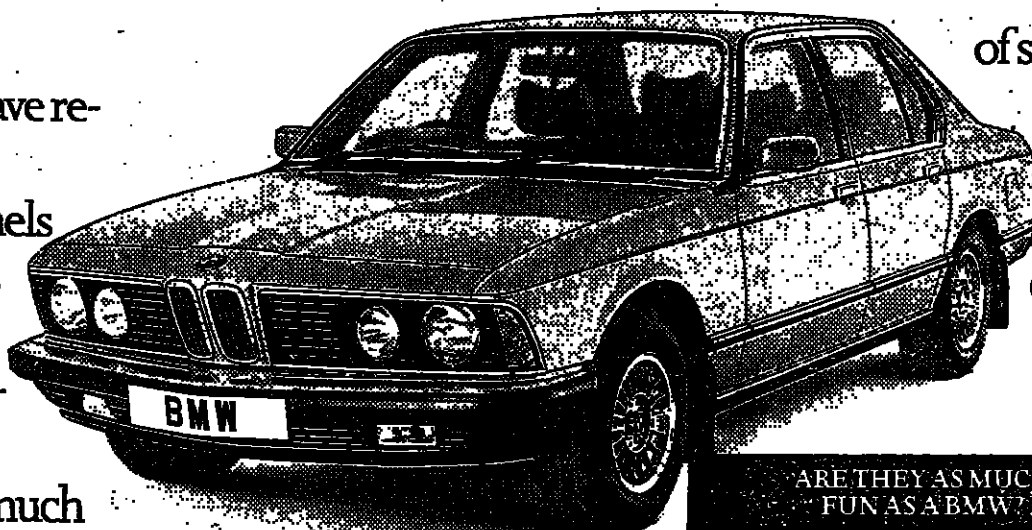
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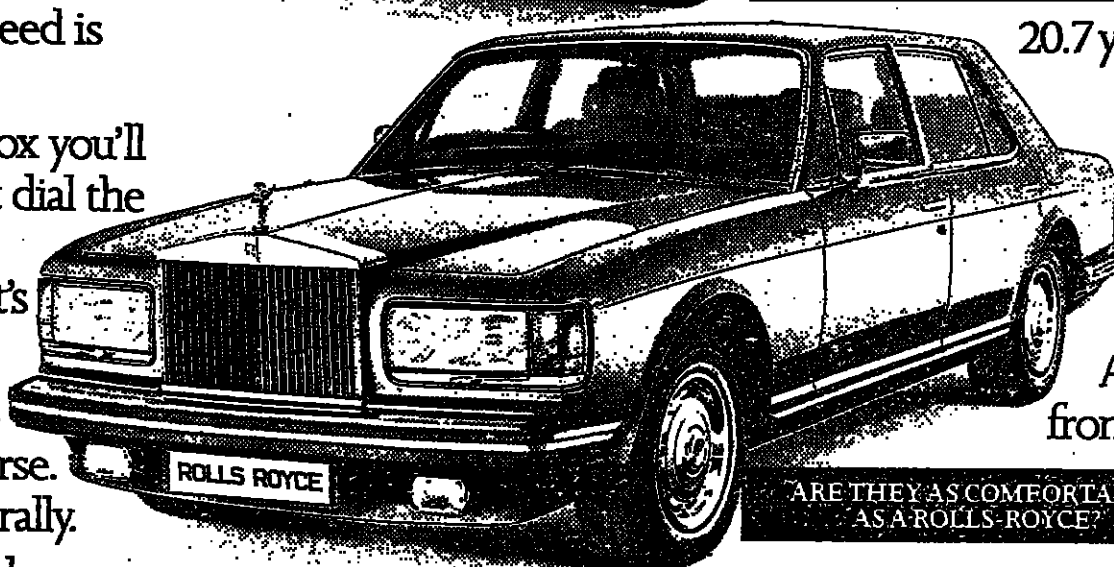
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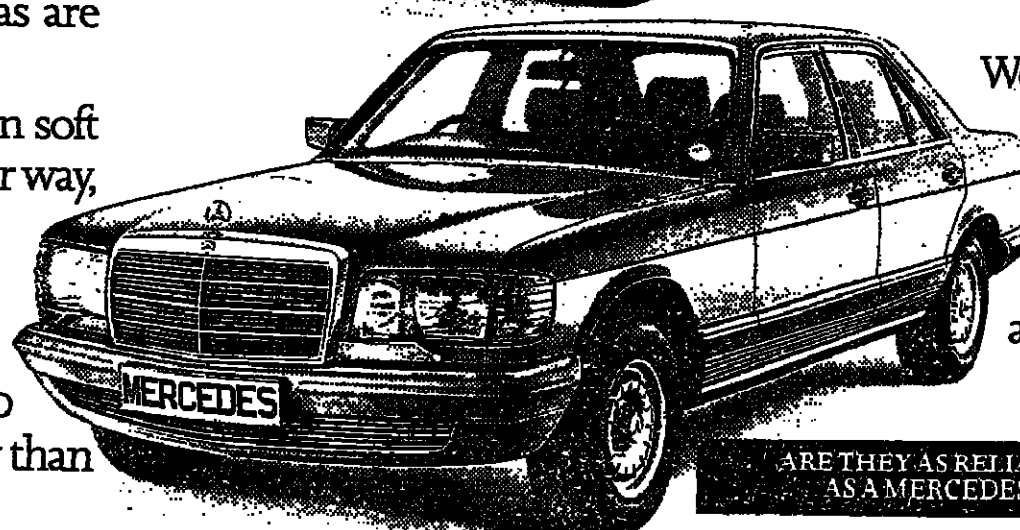
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Kremlin replaces more old guard leaders as oil output falls back

From a Correspondent, Moscow

Mr Nikolai Patolichev, the Soviet Foreign Trade Minister, and Mr Viktor Fyodorov, the Minister for Oil Refining and Petrochemicals, have become the latest victims of Mr Mikhail Gorbachev's shake-up of the economy.

Both were "relieved of their duties" for reasons of health, Tass news agency reported at the weekend. Both were replaced by younger men.

Mr Patolichev, aged 77, was appointed to the post by Nikita Khrushchev in 1958 and Mr Fyodorov was given the oil portfolio in 1965 by the late President Brezhnev.

They were replaced respectively by Mr Boris Arisov, aged 60, and Mr Nikolai Lemayev, aged 56.

Since taking power in March, Mr Gorbachev, aged 54, has begun to remove the older generation of bureaucrats left over from the Khrushchev and Brezhnev eras.

The wide-ranging changes

Moscow covers up row with Gadaffi

From a Correspondent, Moscow

The Libyan leader, Colonel Gadaffi had a serious row with Mr Mikhail Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, during his visit to Moscow last week, authoritative sources said yesterday.

Though the Kremlin has concealed the row, it rejected several of Colonel Gadaffi's requests, the sources said.

Their principal disagreement was over Colonel Gadaffi's outspoken anti-Israeli stand, which Moscow would like to see muted at a time when it is seeking to play a role in the Middle East peace process and to renew diplomatic ties with Israel, the sources said.

They are said also to have quarrelled over Libyan supplies of arms to Iran for use in its war with the Soviet ally Iraq, and over Colonel Gadaffi's debts to Moscow.

Though the argument did not represent a complete breakdown in relations, analysts feel that Moscow's coolness is designed to send a signal to the moderate Arab world and perhaps also to the United States before the November summit between Mr Gorbachev and President Reagan.

Libya and the Soviet Union

have had close ties for several years, with Moscow supplying Libya with arms in return for hard currency.

Though Colonel Gadaffi had wanted help in building a nuclear reactor that could be converted for military purposes, the Russians agreed only to help with one that could be used for power generation. Moscow also delayed a decision on whether to supply Libya with more military equipment, including spare parts, two submarines and several Sam-5 missiles, the sources said.

While the Russians refused to double purchases of Libyan oil, they are allowing Libya to sell some oil to Yugoslavia - making up for a shortfall in Moscow's own supplies.

In addition, Mr Gorbachev steered clear of signing a full-blown friendship treaty with Libya as Colonel Gadaffi had hoped. Instead they concluded a lower level co-operation agreement.

Colonel Gadaffi showed his fury in several ways before he left. Most notably he boycotted a Kremlin reception in his honour.

Tanzania 24 years on

A loaded in-tray for Nyerere's successor

By Richard Dowden

Next Sunday, nearly 24 years after independence, Tanzania will have its second president. Mr Julius Nyerere is stepping down and will be replaced by Mr Ali Hassan Mwinyi, the Vice President.

Most observers judge that this will not mean any change of policy: Mr Nyerere will retain the chairmanship of the sole political party, the Tanzanian African National Union, for two years. He has ruled with almost monarchical authority and will undoubtedly continue to wield enormous power and influence.

As leader of Zanzibar, Mr Mwinyi has been successful in bringing some stability to the island. He is a mainlander by birth, which gives him a foot in both parts of Tanzania. He is regarded as "safe" but, in the shadow of Mr Nyerere, may not be strong enough to take essential decisions to rescue the enfeebled economy.

Expectations projected by Mr Nyerere were never high. He preached a communal self-reliance. Independence from capitalist exploiters and communist patrons and urged Tanzanians to build a future by their own efforts.

Driving through the Tanzanian countryside, one is struck by the irony that in this ideologically puritan country the only buildings with new paint and other symbols of prosperity are the village bars, hotels and brothels. Other human endeavours seem to be sunk in a deep torpor.

The impression is confirmed by the figures: a steadily worsening balance of payments, growing inflation and a severe fold discrepancy between the official exchange rate and the price obtainable for foreign currency in the street. Despite a small growth in gross domestic product last year, the per capita

income fell because of an increase in population.

There are reliable reports that people in the north-west died of hunger-related diseases in 1983. Tanzania, more than capable of feeding itself, imported more than 300,000 tonnes of maize in 1983 and a further 180,000 tonnes last year.

Maize is about the only commodity for which the street price even vaguely resembles the government price. Rice at £1.50 a kilogramme is double the government price, sugar at £2.50 a kilo is more than three times the official price.

Mr Nyerere blames the worsening economy on the oil price rise and the fall in value of Tanzania's exports. He also cites the break-up of the East African Community and the expensive war with former President Idi Amin's Uganda in 1979. He will admit to mistakes only in the application of his theories, not the theories themselves.

Mr Nyerere has said that he will not repay his country's debts if it means forcing his people to starve, and he has fiercely resisted IMF loan conditions. But it is clear that the country cannot keep falling into debt indefinitely.

Mr Mwinyi will have all this in his in-tray if the party, as expected, confirms his appointment on Sunday. If he has the strength to try to turn Tanzania to face reality he has a few cards in his favour.

The country is strongly unified and lacks the tribal problems which rack some of her neighbours. There is little coherent or organized opposition to the party, which embraces the Army, reducing the possibility of a military coup. Yet short of striking oil he will find no easy cures for Tanzania.

Tough start to bridge

From a bridge Correspondent São Paulo

Play in the world bridge championships began yesterday in the twenty-seventh Bermuda Bowl open championship and the fifth Venice Cup contest for women in which the British team are the defending champions.

Sandra Landy, Sally Horton, Nicola Smith and Pat Davies were all in the winning team of 1981, and Jill Scott Jones and Michelle Brunner have repre-

sented Great Britain in Olympics.

Prospects are considerably improved by the addition of Gus Calderwood, the former South African international, as team coach, a position in which he was eminently successful in last year's Olympiad.

The British ladies meet Brazil and Australia on the first day. They will be fully extended by the young Australian team.

Watch out, Solidarity priest warns Jaruzelski

From Roger Boyes

Warsaw

Solidarity's army of believers moved slowly into position, platoon by platoon, into companies, companies into regiments and regiments into a congregation so large that it packed the maze of streets around the church which houses the grave of Father Jerzy Popieluszko.

Saturday was the anniversary of the murder of the Solidarity chaplain by four Polish secret agents, and the outlawed union was determined to mark the occasion with a show of strength.

Priests were there, holding up their recorders so that the words of the defiant homily could be passed on to parishioners. Workers were there, some of them having spent the night standing in train corridors to make the pilgrimage across Poland, the angry young and the tired elderly were there; Solidarity badges on their chests.

The banners, in the red bloomed script of the union, sprouted in the crowd and announced: "With God we will defeat evil", "Father Jerzy, we have not forgotten", and, more directly, "Solidarity will win".

Father Teofil Bogucki, the 77-year-old parish priest at Saint Stanislaw Koska's Church and former protector of his young curate, Father Popieluszko, said that the murder had compromised Poland's Communist system and destroyed its legitimacy. "Terror cannot rule a free nation."

The crowd - conservative estimates put it at 20,000 - roared its applause. He quoted General Jaruzelski as saying "nothing and nobody can stop Poland on its path of Socialist development". The priest paused: "Watch out, my dear gentlemen." Then, chants of "Solidarity" and the forked fist.

V-for-victory salute from the congregation. The sermon was in contrast to that of the Primate, Cardinal Jozef Glemp, who the previous evening had tried to damp down the notion of Father Popieluszko's martyrdom. He prayed at Father Popieluszko's grave, but did so silently.

A reminder that the Church has to tread softly in its political dealing came at the weekend when it emerged that the Government has cancelled a negotiating session on a special fund to help private farmers with Western money. The session was supposed to have been crucial.



Worshippers during Saturday night's Mass in Warsaw marking Father Popieluszko's death

Bombs kill researchers

Police examine letter on Mormon origins

From Trevor Fishlock, New York

The 155-year-old "Salamander Letter", which is said to cast light on the founding of the Mormon Church, was being examined yesterday by police investigating two fatal bombings in the Mormon capital of Salt Lake City, Utah.

The letter is one of a number of documents causing concern among church leaders because they appear to be at variance with official accounts of the church's founding.

Two people involved in researching the church's history were killed in separate bomb explosions on one day last week. The next day a collector who deals in old Mormon documents was injured when another bomb exploded in his car.

For the time being the case is a mystery. The injured man, Mr Mark Hofmann, aged 30, is said by police to be their main suspect. It was he who discovered the "Salamander Letter", which deals with the extraordinary circumstances of the church's origins.

The Mormon Church - the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints - was founded in 1830 by Joseph Smith, of New York, who claimed that he was a prophet and had been visited by the Angel Moroni who led him to buried gold tablets.

With divine help, Smith said, he translated the hieroglyphs on the tablets to produce the Book of Mormon which is an additional Bible for members of the faith and the

church's essential basis. The book says that Israelites crossed the Atlantic six centuries before Christ and that Christ visited them in America after the Resurrection.

Mormons were ridiculed and persecuted and Smith was murdered. In an American epic, Brigham Young, his successor, led thousands of Mormons across the country to found Salt Lake City. The church is now a wealthy organization of nearly six million members.

The "Salamander Letter", said to have been written by one of Joseph Smith's friends, relates that the golden tablets were guarded by a white salamander.

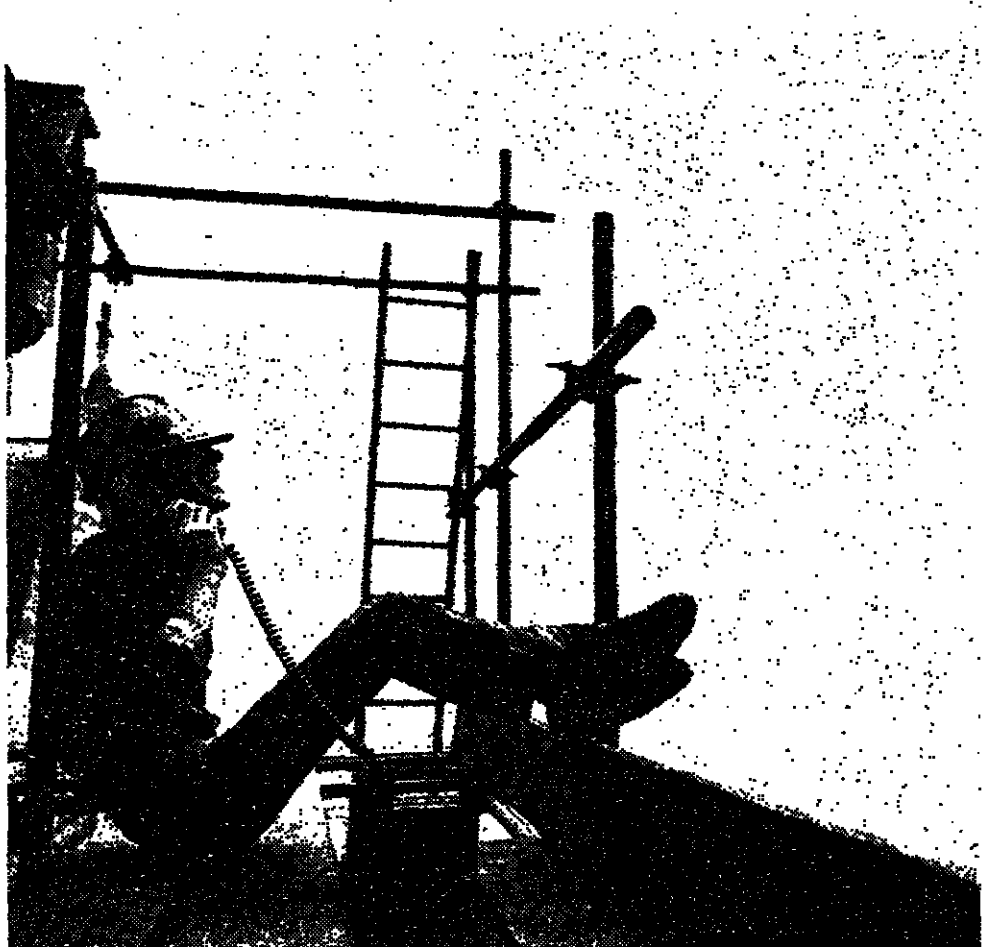
The implication is that Smith was practising magic. Mormons are sensitive about the origins of their church and are anxious to establish that its roots lie in historic truth.

At a recent meeting, church leaders were critical of efforts to find documents contradicting church doctrine. Mr Hofmann told police that he had had a death threat after the meeting.

He sold the "Salamander Letter" for \$40,000 (£27,000) to Mr Steven Christensen, a businessman and Mormon historian who was killed in an explosion last week. A woman who worked on documents with him was killed in another blast.

In the boot of Mr Hofmann's wrecked car police found documents thought to include an account of the church's origins written by an early member.

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Argentina tense as junta trial draws to an end

From Douglas Tweedale, Buenos Aires

Brigadier Basilio Lami Dozo, head of Argentina's Air Force during the 1982 Falklands War, takes the stand today in the trial of the country's former military leaders on human rights charges amid new signs of political and military unrest.

As the last of the nine accused junta members, Brigadier Lami Dozo will probably have the last word in the courtroom phase of the trial, unless the former president, General Jorge Videla, who was in hospital when his lawyer presented his closing remarks, chooses to speak in his own defence.

Court sources say the tribunal will offer General Videla the chance to speak tomorrow, but it is not clear if he will be

Actor questioned

Norman Brisky, an Argentine actor and director, was detained by police for questioning at the weekend in connection with his past political activities (AP reports from Buenos Aires).

He returned to Argentina last year after having lived in Europe and the United States, and is being questioned about his participation in a newspaper advertisement signed by 400 people eight years ago that demanded liberty in Argentina, the Argentine Actors Association said.

released from hospital in time or if he will want to speak.

General Videla has refused to accept the right of a civilian court to try him, and lawyers say that an address to the court would imply recognition of the legitimacy of the trial.

The tribunal will declare an adjournment after hearing either Brigadier Lami Dozo or General Videla and retire to consider evidence presented during six months of public hearings and masses of paperwork accumulated since the trial began more than a year ago.

The Federal Prosecutor, Señor Julio Strassera, has requested life imprisonment for General Videla and four other defendants, and sentences ranging from 15 years for former president General Leopoldo Galtieri to 10 years for Brigadier Lami Dozo.

The growing tension towards the end of this trial has been linked to a recent wave of bombing and political violence. Six bombs have exploded in Buenos Aires this month, and there has been a resurgence of anti-Semitic violence and vandalism and telephone death threats to public figures.

Lawyers for the nine commanders have all demanded their acquittal on charges of alleged responsibility for hundreds of murders, kidnappings and tortures committed by the armed forces during their "dirty



Brigadier Basilio Lami Dozo: Prosecution seeking a 10-year sentence

war" against left-wing subversion in the late 1970s. A total of 9,000 Argentines are still missing after having been abducted in that period.

Though the strategies of the nine defendants differ, the common thread linking them is an unrepentant justification of the military's actions during what they claim was a necessary war to save Argentina from communism.

Señor Eduardo Munilla, one of General Galtieri's lawyers, summed up the defiant attitude when he alleged that the trial itself was part of an "international Marxist confabulation" to discredit the armed forces. The 22 defence lawyers representing the nine junta

members have used three basic strategies. The first is to challenge the constitutional validity of the trial itself, which several claim violates an Argentine guarantee to be tried by one's peers.

A second tack has been to try to discredit the 700 prosecution witnesses by saying that testimony was invalid from members of left-wing guerrilla organizations. Finally, some lawyers have attacked the legal framework of the prosecution's argument. Because the commanders were not formally accused of committing murder or torture with their own hands, the defence lawyers argue, they cannot be held responsible for the "excess" of their subordinates.

Anguish of the hungry sugar-workers Bitterness in the villages helps rebels

In the first of a three-part series on the troubled provinces of the Philippines, Paul Routledge, our South East Asia Correspondent, reports from Bacolod, in the island of Negros, on the economic conditions amid which the Communist insurgency is growing.

On the road towards the 9,000ft Canlaon volcano, a dirt track suddenly plunges off between the waving sugar canes into the settlement of San Baldomero.

Despite the lush greenery and the majestic backdrop, it is not a pretty sight. Hungry children gnaw on raw sugar cane. The bamboo houses of the workers lean uncertainly towards a feld stream.

There is a listless air about the place. San Baldomero is home for 270 men, women and children who toil in the canefields when there is work. And that is not often enough at present.

The protruding bellies and stick legs of the infants, the

estimated 140,000 children on the island who have not got enough to eat.

Mr Robin McLaren, British Ambassador in Manila, said when he handed over the cheque: "It is clear that the crisis in the sugar industry has caused real problems of adjustment for the province."

He was certainly not hampering his lines. There is practically universal undernourishment, and a recent survey showed that child deaths due to malnutrition among the Negrenses averaged 100 a month in the first half of the year. Seven per cent of the children suffer from third-degree malnutrition which inevitably means death or brain damage.

But the help from outside is nowhere enough, and local people argue that it should be channelled through the Roman Catholic Church rather than the Government to avoid the notoriously sticky fingers of officialdom.

Nobody in San Baldomero - which has had its "fair" share of child deaths - has seen any aid since the collapse of the staple industry of Negros set in with a vengeance more than a year ago.

It makes men like Danilo Bantad turn bitter. Aged 29, married with infants aged 2 and three months, he first cut cane as a boy of seven, and though he got through high school (unlike many) there was then nowhere for him to go but back to the sugar fields. It is back-breaking work, and the pay is just over £1 a day. But not even that is available for something like



300,000 sugar workers: who have been laid off.

Like many another Filipino, he is bitterly critical of "the system" and "the US-Marcos dictatorship" for which his union blames the crisis. The burning sense of resentment in the sugar villages is providing a rich and unlooked for harvest - for the Communist insurgency.

Two nights previously, for the first time in the 16-year rebellion by the New People's Army (NPA), there was a shooting encounter within earshot. Dissidents in the nearby town of Murcia, painting slogans about the "escalante massacre" (when 28 protesters were killed by police) fought back with shotguns in a brief clash with police who surprised them.

Alfred Lopez, aged 63, insists: "Life is harder now than it has ever been in my time. We can't even go looking for work in another area for fear of the military. If you meet them on the road, and you stammer when they question you, they'll suspect you of being a subversive and they might kill you."

He shakes his head. Out on the dirt road, a boy of perhaps two is clad only in a tiny vest with the legend "US aid for Africa". Nobody notices the irony.

Tomorrow: Guerrillas spread across Negros

Marcos gets the message

From Michael Binyon, Washington

Senator Paul Laxalt of Nevada said this weekend after his return from Manila that he had convinced President Marcos of President Reagan's concerns about the political, economic and military stability of the Philippines.

Denying that President Marcos had rebuffed his message, Mr Laxalt said the Philippine leader had listened carefully and was now "absolutely convinced" of Mr Reagan's concern.

The Senator, a close friend of the president and chairman of the Republican party, said he had taken the message personally so that Mr Marcos could make no mistake in his response, he said. "We're not realizing that the warning came

from the President. Another warning was conveyed during the week by Admiral Roland Hays, the new commander of the US Pacific Fleet.

Mr Laxalt said that Mr Marcos had told him the communist insurgency was "manageable", and gave him a letter for President Reagan, which the Senator will deliver soon with a report on Mr Marcos's physical and mental condition.

Mr Marcos said on American television on Friday that it was untrue the communist rebels were winning the war. "They are surrendering in droves," he said. "We're not another South Vietnam."

Nakasone intervenes

Director arrested in TV assault scandal

From David Watts, Tokyo

A television director has been arrested and 17 executives of a Tokyo television station punished after admissions that assaults on young women were staged for an afternoon show.

The show has been taken off the air after 25 years of week day performances as sponsors backed away from the scandal.

The president of Asahi Broadcasting, Mr Kikuo Tashiro, will take a six-month pay cut, while other executives will take cuts of one to three months after Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, the Prime Minister, called for exemplary punishment for the station.

Asahi Television, admitted that it paid the head of a motorcycle gang to attend a party it staged in August so that it could get shots of violence against schoolgirls.

The arrested director, Mr Tsutomu Nakagawa, aged 33, allegedly incited the gang leader to have two unemployed teenagers kick and beat five schoolgirls in front of the cameras. The mother of one of the victims later committed suicide.

The footage was for one of the gossip Tokyo programmes which fill the early afternoon slot for bored housewives. This particular segment, shown in August, was called *Violent shots: Total confessions of sexual torture*.

According to admissions by Asahi Television, Mr Nakagawa said for the staging, and treated the gang leader to a meal for his help.

Mr Tashiro, apologized on television, saying the incident was inexcusable.

The row comes as public disgust with the insensitivity of television coverage has been building up, fuelled by journalists' aggressive questioning of relatives of the 320 people killed in the Japan Air Lines jumbo jet crash in August.

In another incident, a man was slashed to death in front of dozens of journalists, who did nothing to prevent the crime.

One of the three parent companies of Asahi Television is the *Asahi Shimbun* newspaper, which is both influential and regularly critical of Mr Nakasone, who has reason to dislike the station's president.

Evren faces challenge on constitutional reform

From Rasit Gurdilek, Ankara

There were fears of a political crisis here at the weekend when leaders of social democratic and conservative opposition parties jointly defied President Kenan Evren over his intention to bar amendments to the country's constitution.

At the start of a speaking tour of the country on Friday, President Evren attacked communists, fascism and religious fanaticism as being Turkey's three most dangerous enemies, in what were believed to be references to the opposition campaign for the amendment of clauses of the constitution restricting the activities of former politicians as well as those curtailing political parties, associations and trades unions.

Mr Evren said that he would resign if the people endorsed in a referendum the amendments and that he would block their passage in Parliament to the best of his ability.

Reacting to the President's remarks, Mr Erdal Inonu and Mr Aydin Guven Gurkan, the leaders respectively of the main parliamentary opposition Populist Party and the extra-parliamentary Social Democracy Party, said that they were pledged to carry through the changes despite the President's opposition.

Mr Inonu noted pointedly that de Gaulle had had to bow to the will of the French people and resign after a lost referendum, while Mr Gurkan said that the present constitution not only barred from parliament the Communist Party but also prevented the growth of a Western-style social democracy through its tilt towards the right and conservatism.

In his speech, President Evren attacked the Communists Party which, he said, could only be legalized in Turkey "when per capita income reached \$10,000 to \$15,000 and each family can own two cars, as in the West".

Mr Husamettin Cindoruk, leader of the True Path Party, urged the political return of the former Conservative Prime Minister, Mr Suleyman Demirel, who was banned from political activities for 10 years by the former military regime.

Jury ponders FBI agent

From Ivor Davis, Los Angeles

A federal court jury today continues deliberating on the fate of Richard Miller, the first FBI agent to be charged with spying for the Russians.

After 11 weeks of testimony the jury must decide whether the long-time agent, aged 48, was trying to betray his country for sex and gold or, as he contends, was really trying to become the first to penetrate the KGB.

In handing the case to the jury late on Friday, US District Judge David Kenyon told jurors that the critical issue was whether Miller passed secret FBI documents believing they would benefit the Soviet Union or whether it was a play to get

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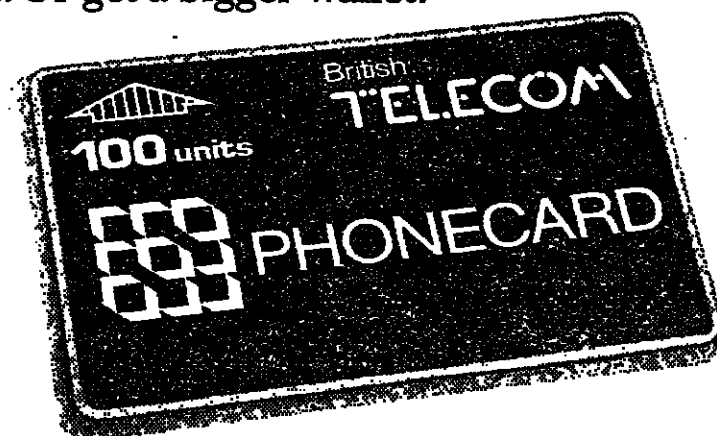
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The character assassins: first of a two-part series on Russia's secret offensive

Dealers in death by propaganda

KGB

The recent spies row between Britain and the Soviet Union has focused fresh attention

on KGB activities in the West. Chapman Pincher, in an extract from his new book, describes how the Russians can manipulate the western media

To western politicians, war is the continuation of politics by other means. To the Politburo of the Soviet Union, politics is the continuation of war by other means. These other means, known in Soviet jargon as "active measures", comprise sophisticated techniques of deception, disinformation, forgery, blackmail, subversion, penetration and manipulation, the insidious use of agents of influence, the organization of mass demonstrations with the promotion of violence, and other criminal acts and even military violations.

The Politburo, through its international department and the KGB, is pouring ever more money and resources into active measures because they are achieving such positive results - like the worldwide manipulation of the "peace" movements to maintain Soviet military superiority, like the elimination of the stalwart anti-Communist Franz Josef Strauss from the West German leadership, like the current state of the British Labour Party which, whatever its motives, is committed to doing exactly what the Politburo wants in the field of defence, if and when it achieves power.

The KGB, unlike the secret services of Britain or America, remains "licensed to kill" and there are many examples of its ruthless ruthlessness towards individuals who tell the truth about the Communist conspiracy.

In a London street in 1978, a Bulgarian defector, Georgy Markov, was murdered by a poisoned pellet implanted in his right thigh. Markov believed the implanting had been done with a dart disguised as an umbrella. The discovery of a similar pellet in a Bulgarian defector, in Paris, Vladimir Kostov, who survived, seems proof enough that both cases were the work of an assassination organization with access to advanced techniques. Since then another Soviet bloc dissident, a Pole called Boris Kozak, has survived a similar murderous attack in a supermarket in Virginia.

The most notorious attempted assassination in which the Bulgarian intelligence service seems to have been involved is that of Pope John Paul II in St Peter's Square, Rome, in May 1981. The Turkish terrorist who shot the Pope and nearly killed him, Mehmet Ali Agca, has stated that three Bulgarians assisted him and that he had been given special training by the KGB.

Suspicion remains inside MI5 and the CIA that Hugh Gaitskell, the Labour Party leader who supported the retention of nuclear weapons in the early 1960s, was murdered by the KGB, while many students of the assassination of President Kennedy do not accept the official American verdict that the Soviets were not involved in any way. But there is another form of assassination employed by the Politburo against leading anti-Communist politicians - character assassination.

The KGB remains a secret service which is licensed to kill

A classic instance of the use of active measures against an individual, to assassinate his character and destroy his career, has just come to light as a result of a libel action settled last year. It concerns Franz Josef Strauss of the West German Christian Social Union Party, a man reviled by the Soviet Politburo as being such an uncompromising obstacle in the path of the onward march of its influence and ascendancy that he had to be removed.

The libel action was brought against the business man Sir James Goldsmith, who for many years has been deeply perturbed about Communist and pro-Soviet manipulation of the western media. In a statement to the Media Committee of the British Conservative Party, Sir James described the Soviet active measures machinery and in connection with the way newspapers and magazines are utilized, often unwittingly, he quoted Major-General Jan Sejna, an important defector from Czechoslovak intelligence.

Sir James said: "General Sejna... admitted that the campaign by the German news magazine *Der Spiegel* to discredit Franz Josef Strauss was orchestrated by the KGB". When the speech was published in the magazine *NOW*, which Sir James had founded, *Der Spiegel* issued a writ for libel. The action was settled out of court on the initiative of lawyers acting for *Der Spiegel* and Sir James felt he had been fully vindicated.

In a statement read before Mr Justice Caulfield, Sir James Goldsmith's counsel, Lord Rawlinson QC, said: "It was and remains Sir



Rudolf Augstein

James's position that many western publications were and are unwittingly used by the Soviets in their campaigns conducted by the KGB. So, in Sir James's view, *Der Spiegel*, in common with other western publications, can themselves fairly be described as victims of KGB propaganda techniques... it was never intended by Sir James to imply that the plaintiffs or their paper were controlled by or cooperated with Soviet intelligence or knowingly employed any journalist who was a KGB agent."

In reply, Mr John Wilmer QC, *Der Spiegel*'s counsel, said that his clients "fully accept that broadly speaking Soviet intelligence seeks to operate in the way stated (by Lord Rawlinson), although they themselves are not conscious of having been used in the manner mentioned by Sir James Goldsmith. My clients are conscious of the dangers to press freedom posed by Soviet covert propaganda."

Strauss was minister of defence in the coalition government headed by Konrad Adenauer and, in 1962, he was regarded by many as the likely successor to the ageing chancellor.

He was in no doubt that a dangerous and continuous threat was posed by the Soviet bloc in pursuit of the Politburo's ultimate aim of world Communist domination and he strongly supported the stationing of American nuclear weapons on German soil for use in NATO's defence.

Franz Josef Strauss was to be eliminated from the political scene

According to a former officer in the West German secret service, BND, the agitprop chief of the East Zone Communist Party gave orders in 1959 for the defamation of Strauss at every opportunity in the East German media. In 1959 the campaign was extended to the Czechoslovak press. It was hoped that all this would exert influence in West Germany and elsewhere through the impact of the Soviet media, which recycled much of the

Victims in the news: (left) *Der Spiegel*, November 7, 1962, showing publisher Rudolf Augstein's arrest, which (centre) provoked student protest; (right) Franz Josef Strauss, German Defence Minister, 1962

defamatory material both at home and overseas. In January 1960, the Soviet bloc propaganda machine concentrated on suggestions that the West German government, and Strauss in particular, were anti-Semitic. The intention was to imply that he was a neo-Nazi and he was, in fact, accused of being the "initiator of Nazi excesses".

But saturation denigration in the Communist-controlled media would not be sufficiently effective, even though some of it was spilling over into the western media. What was needed was a campaign of vilification in important organs of the western media. Sejna claims that the best target for that purpose was *Der Spiegel*, originally modelled on the American *Time* magazine and with the same wide appeal and impact.

Der Spiegel, increasingly hostile to the US, to NATO and to nuclear weapons in particular, had portrayed Strauss as "the elephant from the Bavarian backwoods".

Sejna states that in January 1962 the Czechoslovak Minister of the Interior, Lubomir Strougal (who is Prime Minister at the time of writing), told him that the Soviets had approved a plan whereby secret NATO documents, procured from Soviet agents inside the organization, should be leaked to *Der Spiegel* from Strauss's defence ministry.

On October 10, 1962, *Der Spiegel* published a long article giving accurate details about a NATO exercise code-named Fallex '62, together with secret NATO assessments of its consequences. Strauss was described as refusing to comply with NATO's demands for an increase in conventional forces and to be supported by Luftwaffe chiefs in favouring a NATO capability to make a pre-emptive nuclear air strike against the Soviet bloc.

As a result of this article, several members of *Der Spiegel*'s staff,

including the editor, were arrested as the breach of security was investigated. The arrests led to the assumption that they were a reprisal for the attacks in *Der Spiegel* on Strauss and his administration. There was a well-orchestrated outcry from behind the Iron Curtain, mirrored in West Germany by academics, including some Soviet agents of influence, and other newspapers.

Many publications fell victim to the KGB without knowing it

Strauss insisted that he had not been responsible for initiating the arrests and that it was no act of revenge on his part. This turned out to be true, but few were inclined to believe him at the time. On November 26, Adenauer told Strauss that he could not remain in the cabinet and this was announced four days later. On December 11, a new coalition government was formed. It excluded Strauss, marked the end of his chance of becoming chancellor in the foreseeable future and permanently blighted his political career.

None of the defectors who have thrown light on the *Der Spiegel* affair has ever suggested that any member of the magazine's staff was aware that it was a target for Soviet attention. Ilya Dzhirkvelov, a former KGB officer who defected to Britain in 1980, makes a point of saying that "many respectable and politically impeccable publications fell victim to the KGB active measures without knowing by whom they had been used".

Der Spiegel itself admitted in 1969 that material it had printed about the alleged intended use of

nuclear, chemical and biological weapons by American forces in Europe had been circulated to it and other western media as part of a KGB disinformation operation.

Western journalists, particularly in Britain and the US, have a well-deserved reputation for inflicting propaganda injuries on their own countries by printing information damaging to national prestige. A few of these are deliberate agents of influence but most are unwitting agents - "willsies" in intelligence jargon.

British television and other media performed a valuable service for the Politburo after a Soviet fighter pilot shot down a Korean airliner with the loss of 269 civilian lives in September 1983. The Soviet response to almost universal horror for such ruthlessness was to claim that the Korean plane had been involved in an irresponsible espionage venture by the CIA, which was therefore to blame for the disaster. This patently absurd thesis would have been seen for what it was had it not been swallowed and elaborated by western media.

One wonders if western writers and journalists who abuse their precious freedom of expression ever seriously wonder what would happen to them if the Soviet cause, which they assist unwittingly, should ever triumph. It would be pathetic if the media were to be seen, historically, as having been responsible, if only in part, for the destruction of their own freedom.

The *Secret Offensive* by Chapman Pincher will be published on October 31 by Sidgwick and Jackson at £12.95.

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Winning ways of the young grandmaster

Nigel Short, aged 20, is confronting the world's top chess players.

David Spanier and

Raymond Keene report

It is a relief in the enclosed, cerebral world of grandmasters to find someone who is frankly jolly about chess, at times even frivolous. And this someone is Nigel Short.

Thus, in a normally staid training manual, Nigel Short recently analysed the reasons for present world champion Anatoly Karpov's superiority to him. "Certainly he is nowhere near as good-looking as me and he has a squeaky voice, but he is still a stronger player. I draw the following conclusions: he plays the openings better than I do... He has much better positional judgement... He is tactically far superior... His end play is generally superb."

Quite so. On sense of humour, most chess players would agree, Nigel has the edge. The question is, will that be enough to get to the top?

His biggest test to date is the Candidates tournament being held now in Montpellier which will determine the four players from whom a challenger will finally emerge to take on the World Champion. Sixteen of the world's best players are taking part and Short is the first British chess player to have made it so far. He has made a good start, beating one grandmaster the Hungarian Ribli, drawing with two previous world championship contenders, Spassky and Tal, and a three-times finalist, Korchnoi, and losing to the Dutch player Timman. The tournament ends on November 3.

He's pleased, of course. It has been a gruelling performance to have progressed to this stage of the World Championship cycle. On his current rating he can hardly be expected to win but in chess nothing can be ruled out.

In fact, some people think Nigel is just a bit too easy-going. He has on occasion shown himself to be as keen on playing a game of Space Invaders as sitting long hours over the board. But he is certainly improving at a colossal rate and he has a deceptively steady nerve.

In 1984, at the remarkably young age of 19, he achieved



Waiting game: Nigel Short began playing chess aged six

that most prestigious of all sporting titles, grandmaster. He won the British championship last year as well and he is clearly destined for greater things.

He was far from being a favourite to qualify from the Interzonal tournament at Biel in July this year but, after a slow start, he completed a fantastic spurt to defeat all his main rivals.

In the play-off for the final qualifying spot he beat Eugenio Torre of the Philippines, a former Candidate himself, 3-0, and so just pipped van der Wiel of the Netherlands. During the course of these vital games, Nigel revealed a hitherto unsuspected determination, allied with a mastery of complicated rook and pawn endgames.

Nigel was a child prodigy. It was at the age of six, in 1971, that he learnt, or rather, picked up chess, from watching his father teach the moves to his elder brother. After a few minutes, Nigel pleaded to be allowed to play too and for the next few years the chessboard was rarely out of sight in the Short household.

In 1977, just three months before his twelfth birthday, Nigel qualified for the British men's championship. He was the youngest to do so by four years. He eventually came up against Dr Jonathan Penrose, an experienced International Master. The 12-year-old rapidly built up a dominating position and finished off his illustrious opponent. Suddenly Nigel was in the headlines.

The family disagreed about

how his education, at 17, should be continued. It was his mother who insisted that he should carry on at school (similarly, Madame Klara Kasparova, mother of the Soviet challenger in the current world championship, has tried to widen her son's knowledge of literature and music). This was an understandably prudent decision but the extra year in school did not help Nigel's chess. His results did not come so rapidly as they might otherwise have done in his late teens.

There was also one other prodigy around, Garry Kasparov. A couple of years older than Nigel, his talent outshone all the others. In the world junior championship of 1980,

Nigel came away with the silver medal, but Garry took the gold.

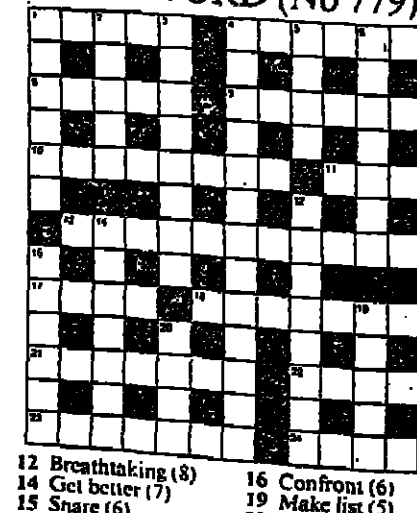
So what, realistically, are Nigel's chances of reaching the top four at Montpellier? This Candidates tournament is one of the strongest of all time, with former world champions Smyslov, Tal and Spassky. To be numbered among such company is in itself high tribute.

On paper, Nigel should land up somewhere in the middle. But given his new determination, his youthful enthusiasm and exponential rate of improvement, it would not be so surprising if he were to upset the odds again. If he does qualify it will set the seal on England's current ranking as second in the world only to the mighty Soviet Union.

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THE TIMES DIARY

Coal shoulder

Hopes by the breakaway Notts miners that Labour will recognize their new Union of Democratic Mineworkers are doomed to disappointment. Yesterday I received a leaked copy of a letter from the party's general secretary, Larry Whitty, to Mr C. Taylor, secretary of the local Labour Party at Newark. It reads: "There has been no formal request to the National Executive Committee to accept affiliation from any breakaway union of the NUM. If such a request came, there would be no question of the party accepting affiliation of an organization not recognised by the national union. I hope this makes the position clear."

● The GLC has mischievous plans to enhance the "room with a view" of Mrs Thatcher's new house at Dulwich. It intends putting up an enormous "nuclear free zone" sign as close as humanly possible.

Cut meets

Small wonder Bob Geldof is talking of giving up. He can't even have a sandwich these days without British politicians falling out over it. On Wednesday he is due to meet Euro-PMs in Strasbourg for a "all-party sandwich lunch". But because Tony Lord Bethell is the host, the British Labour MEPs have called a boycott. "It is absurd that a Tory should host it when the government is cutting back on aid to Africa," Labour's MEP leader, Alf Lomas, told me. "It's obviously a publicity thing to get pictures of Bethell and Geldof together." Lomas et al will now meet Geldof earlier, no food, no drink. Bethell, who denies that there have been any cuts, said his views are not necessarily those of the British government.

BARRY FANTONI



"Remember the days when governments changed twice between the antipasta and the spaghetti?"

Bernie's inn

The publication today of the *Good Food Guide* will bring satisfaction to the unlikely of figures. Haringey council leader Bernie Grant, among the new entries is Bambaye, an Afro-Caribbean and black American restaurant, whose joint owner and chef is Grant's sister Rosamund. It has just been launched with £40,000 in grants and £20,000 in loans from Haringey council, the government and the Greater London Enterprise Board. The grants - made before Grant became Haringey leader - were prompted by the Brixton riots and the Scarman report when the government started coughing up for black projects. The *Guide's* verdict: "Not as funky as you might expect..."

● Could Aberystwyth be the next riot flashpoint? Lord Scarman, recently picked up an honorary degree from the University of Wales - and now is learning Welsh.

Fruitless

The news that Sainsbury is considering banning fruit from South Africa reminds me of a friend who tried to make her own political stand. After explaining to the Golden's Green fruit-seller that she couldn't possibly buy his oranges because they were South African, he replied: "Quite right, love. You don't know whose black hands have been on them."

Join the Club

A disaffected British Airways purser emerges this week to demand a ban on BA staff in first class. Writing in the staff magazine, Richard Dean says he has just been put in an "embarrassing" position by two staff passengers who were travelling first. "Both insisted I upgrade other members of their families and friends. Isn't it about time we emptied First of all but commercial passengers?" The fare, he says, is very high and paying passengers "should not have to share with low or non-revenue staff." Quite so.

In the rough

Lord Whitelaw just about redeems the new *Faber Book of Anecdotes*, which if you are not careful you might well get for Christmas. The 700-page book has Whitelaw, at US embassy bash, finding himself chatting about golf to a vaguely familiar figure. A little later he asked a friend: "Do tell me, who is that American I was talking to? He doesn't appear to have much sense of humour." "Bob Hope," came the reply.



Scarman: "moral questions"

The Roman Catholic hierarchy's response to the Gillick case on contraceptive advice turned out to be that it had "no quarrel with the Lords' decision provided it is carried out in the responsible spirit in which it was formulated". That reaction indicates that there must be more to the decision than is conveyed by the simple news that Mrs Victoria Gillick lost.

It is important to unravel the different approaches adopted by the five-law Lords, three of whom were in favour of allowing the DHSS appeal and two of whom dissented in favour of Mrs Gillick.

Lords Fraser, Scarman and Bridge had a common approach. They sought out the principle underlying previous case law on the general relationship between children and parents and then applied it to the specific context of whose consent is required for contraceptive advice or treatment. The principle is that "parental rights are derived from parental duty" and the "dwindling right" of a parent as the child grows older "yields to the child's right to make his own decision when he reaches a sufficient understanding and intelligence to be capable of making up his own mind on the matter requiring decision".

This stage will vary from child to child and from decision to decision. The law can and should acknowledge the reality of different rates of development towards maturity.

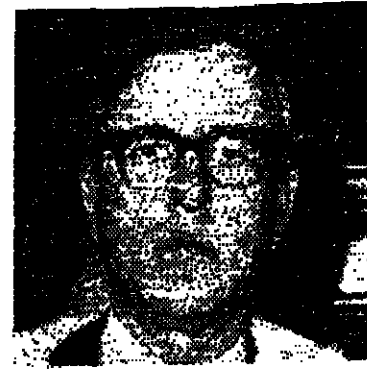
So the majority's method is to focus on the young person itself. If she can consent, the law will respect her autonomy. If she cannot, then the law will look for a proxy, who will usually be a parent. But parental consent is not the first option and when it is necessary it should be exercised in the child's best interest.

Having established the general principle, contraceptive treatment then needs to be located within this wider context. Lord Fraser set out five guidelines which the doctors must follow before they can legally offer a girl contraceptive advice or treatment without parental consent.

The doctor must be satisfied "(1) that the girl (although under 16 years of age) will understand his advice; (2) that he cannot persuade her to inform her parents or to allow him to inform the parents; and (3) that she is very likely to begin or to continue having sexual intercourse with or without contraceptive

How Gillick can still make her mark

by Simon Lee



Brandon: "a criminal act"

treatment; (4) that unless she receives contraceptive advice or treatment her physical or mental health or both are likely to suffer; (5) that her best interests require him to give her contraceptive advice, treatment or both without the parental consent."

Lord Fraser followed his five rules immediately with the reassurance that they "ought not to be regarded as a licence for doctors to disregard the wishes of parents on this matter whenever they find it convenient to do so."

But to understand what his first point about understanding advice entails, and why it is a difficult hurdle for the girl and the doctor to surmount, we must turn to Lord Scarman's judgment. He emphasized that "there is much that has to be understood by a girl under the age of 16 if she is to have legal capacity to consent to sexual treatment. It is not enough that she should understand the nature of the advice which is being given; she must also have a sufficient maturity to understand what is involved."

"There are moral and family questions, especially her relationship with her parents, long-term problems associated with the emotional impact of pregnancy and its termination, and there are risks to health of sexual intercourse at her age, risks which contraception may diminish but cannot eliminate. It follows that a doctor will have to satisfy himself that she is able to appraise these factors before he can safely proceed on the basis that she has at least capacity to consent to contraceptive treatment."

The unusual element in the case lay in the fact that Lords Brandon and Templeman did not start from the same point as their colleagues had done. It was, after all, Lord Brandon's judgment in an earlier case which had convinced the majority that a young person's capacity is to consent depended on the individual's own understanding and intelligence rather than calendar age. It seems that the dissenters shared Mrs Gillick's worries about the practical consequences of the majority view and they therefore ignored the search for legal principle. Lord Brandon went straight to the narrower question of whether the doctor would be guilty of a criminal act if he prescribed contraceptives to under-16s, and gave an affirmative answer.

Lord Templeman eschewed case-law and produced an opinion which reads like a speech by Mrs Gillick. The most memorable line is that: "There are many things which a girl under 16 needs to practise but sex is not one of them." He speculated about the effect of allowing contraceptive treatment without parental consent. Perhaps no factual evidence on this point was available to any of the courts hearing the case.

The Gillick saga illustrates that controversies over law and morality often turn on different hunches as to facts and conflicting estimates of consequences. Mrs Gillick, together with Lords Brandon and Templeman, considers that premature sexual activity is best discouraged, and parental involvement is best encouraged, by the law refusing to accept a child's consent as sufficient for the provision of contraceptives.

Others feel that premature sexual activity has to be discouraged by other means, chiefly education. They believe that the absence of contraceptives will not act as a deterrent. On the contrary, it will merely cause additional problems of perhaps venereal disease, abortion or early motherhood. Moreover, Mrs Gillick's opponents say that a victory for her would have decreased parental involvement in the real world. In the vast majority of cases which arose before the litigation, they claim, doctors were able to persuade initially reluctant girls to confide in their parents. Since the Court of Appeal decision, the girls concerned had not given doctors that opportunity.

Although Lords Brandon and Templeman were prepared to rely on their hunches, the courts are not really an appropriate forum in which to evaluate these competing claims. This is why the majority emphasized legal principle and thought that, in Lord Bridge's words, the court should avoid "expressing *ex cathedra* opinions in areas of social and ethical controversy in which it has no claim to speak with authority."

A standing commission on medical law and ethics is long overdue. In the absence of such a body, however, the courts deserve praise for filling the vacuum. Lord Scarman thought that Mrs Gillick too deserved praise since she had "performed a notable public service in directing judicial attention to the problems".

Of course many are glad that Mrs

Gillick was defeated. But it is not fair to criticize her for trying to enforce her morality through the law. Both sides of this dispute and all sides of all disputes on law and morals are trying to enforce their morality through the law. This applies to liberals who want the law to reflect liberalism just as much as it applies to Mrs Gillick who wants the law to reflect "Gillickism". The argument should be about the respective merits of the rival creeds, not based on the spurious belief that only one side is trying to impose its vision of morality.

As to the future, the Government's review will most likely now endorse the DHSS circular, as clarified by the Fraser/Scarman guidance. An extra sentence might be inserted to emphasize the need for genuine understanding as a prerequisite of consent. Doctors will at any rate be referred to the Fraser/Scarman criteria for consent. But there is no prospect of the Government or Parliament overturning the majority Law Lords' cogent reasoning.

As for Mr Gillick's future, he will surely help ensure that doctors do follow the guidelines. If 100 15-year-old girls present themselves to a clinic and all 100 are given contraceptive treatment without parental consent, suspicions must be aroused as to the efficacy of the testing for capacity to consent. Doctors will have to make time to do this properly, and Mrs Gillick will doubtless be pressing for effective monitoring and sanctions by the DHSS and the General Medical Council.

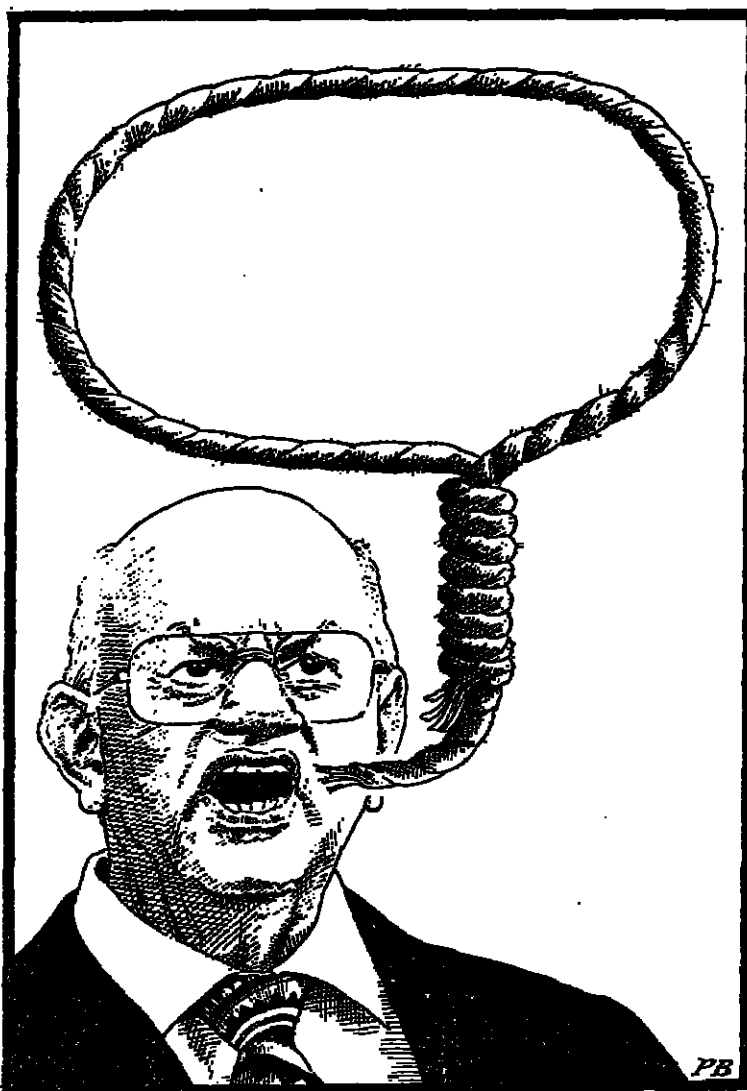
There is another role for all of us. The law is not going to use the threat of pregnancy, followed by early motherhood or abortion, as a means of scaring young girls into sexual abstinence, although the criminal law will do its best to punish those men who have sexual intercourse with girls under 16. But if we think that premature sexual activity is undesirable for a variety of moral, physical, emotional and psychological reasons, then it is our responsibility to put that view across to the young people at risk. We should take up the challenge.

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Michael Hornsby on the collision between expectation and Afrikaner reality

Bothaspeak, or having it both ways



group. What foreign critics wanted, Botha declared in Port Elizabeth in a rare flash of candour, was "a state... where the white minority is overwhelmed without structures to protect its birthright".

Less this concern with white survival sound selfish, the Afrikaners have further developed the argument that there is, in fact, no such thing as a black majority but rather a collection of black and brown tribal and ethnic minorities each of which is supposedly as anxious as the whites (about 15 per cent of the total population) to preserve its identity and right to "group self-determination". (Ethnic and cultural differences between whites are conveniently ignored for this purpose.)

On this view apartheid - an Afrikaans word meaning literally something like "separate-hood" - is

thus not what it objectively is, namely, a device for maintaining white domination, but rather a means of ensuring that each group is free to develop in its own way without being dominated by any other. It follows that racial segregation, in so far as it applies to all groups, is not discriminatory, but essential for the preservation of group freedom.

Thus far Botha is still operating within the guidelines set out by Hendrik Verwoerd in the 1950s. Some time ago, however, he came to the conclusion - and in so doing parted company with Afrikaner fundamentalists - that tactical concessions were required to relieve growing political, economic and demographic pressures and to appease an increasingly hostile outside world.

so far is the acceptance that the tribal homelands meet neither the political aspirations nor the economic needs of South Africa's black population and that an increasingly large number of blacks (at present about 10 million out of a total of 23 million) will be permanently resident outside the reserves. Their South African citizenship, previously taken away, is to be restored and some form of political rights "at the highest level" is promised.

Some of the most blatantly discriminatory aspects of social and economic apartheid are also being modified. Thus the ban on interracial marriage and sexual relations has gone because it barred relations only between blacks and whites and not between blacks and browns and thus could not be defended on the grounds of equal application. The reservation of hotels, restaurants, theatres, cinemas, parks and other social amenities for whites only is also being relaxed, albeit very gradually.

Full trade union rights have been granted to blacks, and statutory job reservation for whites has been abolished except in the mines; legislation to end that is likely to be introduced next year. The pass laws, which apply only to blacks, are likely to be amended, or even abolished, but technically non-discriminatory means of regulating black entry to urban areas will probably be found to replace them.

Compulsory race classification at birth, and racially separate residential areas and schools, will not be abandoned, however, because without them the concept of group identity, on which the whole tenuous intellectual justification for protecting white minority rights is based, would be fatally weakened and would probably lead to further splits in the ruling party.

Where does this leave black political rights? Botha has never used the term, but he appears to be aiming for some kind of federal system. This would be composed of both geographically and ethnically defined units. The building blocks of this system would include the existing tribal homelands as well as black townships outside them.

At this regional level, forms of black majority rule may even be possible, though it is certain that the boundaries in this federal structure would be gerrymandered to ensure continuing white control over the country's heartland containing its main mineral wealth.

These regional units, or so it would appear, would then send delegates to some kind of overarching federal body where "matters of mutual concern" (such as, presumably, defence, foreign affairs, finance, economic policy, justice etc) would be "jointly managed". Again, it can be taken as read that the system would be rigged to ensure that, behind a facade of joint decision-making, the whites continued to have the final say.

It is fair to say that this would represent a marked departure from classical apartheid. Ten years ago such proposals would have had considerable impact. Today Botha will be lucky to find any but the most conservative homeland tribal leaders prepared to negotiate on the basis of such an agenda. Even the relatively amenable Zulu leader, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, has dismissed them as too little too late.

Anne Sofer The politics of job destruction

The Greater London Enterprise Board, now struggling in the throes of adverse publicity and imminent disintegration, is a sad story of our times. This GLC offshoot could have been - indeed there is the faintest chance it still might be - a considerable success story.

GLEB's history has been bedeviled by three phenomena which are as old as human history but have a particularly medieval flavour to them - patronage, dogma and the witch-hunt.

I hasten to say that by patronage I do not mean that councillors' personal friends and relations have been found jobs on the board - or at least not as far as I am aware; but rather that a great number of appointees appear to be people whose Labour Party connections are more important than any other qualities they may have had. The Labour Party being what it is, this has had the additional disadvantage that now things are going wrong they are publicly falling out.

The chief executive, Alan McGarvey, was at the time of his appointment deputy leader of the Labour group on Wandsworth council. One of his senior officers, Chris Bronnley, who was suspended by McGarvey and then resigned in connection with some extraordinary property deals earlier this year, was, at the time of his appointment, a Labour member of Islington council. A third Labour Party member, Robin Atkins, appointed to the board, has now resigned, calling it a shambles and demanding McGarvey's resignation. To complete the picture, Clive Jenkins is an insignificant Labour personality, whose fees and pay-off in connection with an abortive GLEB venture may have caused him some embarrassment, has now (according to last Friday's *Standard*) "joined calls from the Tory opposition at County Hall for an independent inquiry".

All this is a great pity because out of the limelight, and under the supervision of less politically contentious officials, some effective job creation is being achieved, particularly with small start-up business and the rapid growth new technology areas. But here we come up against the second problem: dogma.

From the start, GLEB's political masters at the GLC did not want this to be the main emphasis of the board's work. The Labour leaders at the time (and now for all I know) had a dogmatic conviction that small businesses were not the route to industry's revival in London. Lengthy documents were presented to the GLC's industry and employment committee to prove the point: behind all the arguments lay the fear that small businesses were bad for Labour and bad for trade unionism.

Michael Ward, chairman of the committee, used to say with lyrical about the wealth creation potential of large industrial development. He recalled the boom years for London earlier this century when huge factories opened up on all the arterial roads and well organized workers fought successfully for a decent wage. His dream was of GLEB intervention in the large companies that were leaving London or closing down; forcing them through "planning agreements" to conform to Labour's grand industrial strategy. All this, remember, was before the 1983 general election. GLEB was to be the

advance guard of the alternative economic strategy.

It was this issue that caused the withdrawal of Edward Cunningham, head of the Scottish Development Agency, who agreed to become GLEB's first chief executive but then changed his mind. There was an exchange of letters between him and Michael Ward in which Cunningham made it clear that in his view single investments of more than £200,000 would be unwise and the real way to job creation was through funding a multiplicity of smaller enterprises. Ward clung to his vision and appointed in Cunningham's place the present incumbent, Alan McGarvey, who had been one of the architects of the original conception of GLEB.

Events have proved that Cunningham was right. Whereas GLEB's successes have been in the sorts of enterprise he favoured, its failures have been in its large-scale interventions in the traditional industries, and in its attempts to get into the world of big business. In particular it has burnt its fingers in the property market. Islington Labour councillors have proved no match for the fast footwork of the developers.

A fraud investigation hangs over the dealings in connection with Stanley Sidings, a jumble of old railway and canal buildings on the 'Chalk Farm Road in Camden. An aerial photograph shows on the London Programme on television last week made it look like a derelict wasteland, and a few well-angled shots of crumbling facades made the scheme look more of a folly than it really was. In fact it is a tragedy that this commercially very promising site has slipped through everybody's hands: it is only a few hundred yards north of booming Camden Lock in an area where demand for office and workshop space is high - and its listed buildings are treasures of industrial archaeology that badly need restoring. GLEB's incompetence and attempt to bite off more than it could chew has probably set back its development for years.

So now GLEB faces that third medieval phenomenon, the witch-hunt. "Squandered Millions" screamed the *Standard* on Friday, and the *London Programme* later that evening, while being a little fairer in paying a perfunctory tribute to GLEB's successes, was in effect a hatchet job on the whole operation. All this, in the same week as the televised onslaught by the Tory opposition at County Hall, has the smell of an orchestrated campaign.

Unless the Government relents and agrees to fund GLEB directly, or unless the London boroughs, harassed and rate-capped as they are, agree to take over the enterprise, it will collapse within a year. Although all the nonsense will stop, all the experience and expertise it has been learning the hard way will be wasted as well.

The worst result would be for the Labour boroughs alone to agree to continue its funding, because then the patronage and dogma would continue. If only all the London boroughs, with the Government, could agree to a joint funding exercise, under joint control, a phoenix might be enabled to rise from the ashes.

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moreover... Miles Kington

Off the top of my Head

Lord Moreover, the head of the vast corporation which owns this column as well as most of the Amazon Basin, has graciously permitted me to print a further selection of his thoughts, which will one day be printed in book form as *The Wit and Wisdom of Lord Moreover* and be given away free at his 30,000 retail outlets. These thoughts occur to him during those idle moments when he is listening to briefings from cabinet ministers, talking to his family or looking at the back of his chauffeur's head. I am grateful to him for this basket of *penicils*, not to mention my job and company bicycle.

The feeding of the five thousand with two loaves and five small fishes was, I suspect, one of Jesus's greater miracles. Indeed, it was probably not a miracle at all, but the first recorded example of nouvelle cuisine.

I wonder if Lloyd's of London has ever considered insuring itself against repeated disasters? High speed trains travel so fast that it is now impossible to read the names of stations as one passes through, yet British Rail could easily remedy this by printing the names in much larger letters. Another example of technology refusing to keep pace with itself. Never stay at an hotel where the flag-poles in the forecourt are higher than the hotel itself. The most dangerous and effective weapon ever invented by mankind is the four-door family saloon car. Very few people are shot by guns, yet over 5,000 deaths are caused by the household car every year in Britain alone. But nobody has ever suggested holding talks to reduce the numbers of this lethal weapon. People often say to me: "Wouldn't it be wonderful if newspapers ignored disasters and tragedies, and only printed good news? Yet none of them subscribes to *Pravda*, which already follows this admirable precept. When people say to each other, 'I am going to ignore that remark', it is reasonable to assume that they are going to harbour a grudge about it for years to come. Similarly, when a book reviewer says he is going to quote at random, one knows that the ensuing quotes have been chosen with great care."

It is sometimes thought shameful to have second-hand possessions, such as second-hand clothes, shoes or kitchenware. Yet some things become smart only when they are second-hand, like books, paintings and houses. We get round this problem by using the word antiquarian, or period, or antique. Who ever heard of a sale of second-hand Picasso?

I have never yet met a waiter who could afford to be a customer at the place where he works. On the other hand, I have never met one who had the slightest desire to be a customer in his own restaurant.

When film reviewers rave about a new funny film, and quote three lines to show how funny it is, and then quote the same three funny lines, I know from bitter experience that they will be the only three funny lines in the whole film.

The bicycle is the only wholly functional vehicle ever invented - all the others are loaded with cosmetic devices. Give a Marlian scientist a bicycle, ask him to deduce from it what the rider looked like, and he would come up with a fair approximation of the human body. Give him a car and he would come up with four lumps of dough, one of them having three feet.

I can remember a time when newspapers reported the news. Now they only tell you what they think about the news.

The great mystery about urban riots is this: Why does a car always have to be turned over before it can be set alight? Are cars non-inflammable the right way up? British Rail is the last repository of Victorian English. Trains do not go to places, they reach destinations. They do not stop there, but terminate. When they have terminated we do not get out, we alight. And if we get refreshments (not have the right money, we are requested to tender the correct change, Steam may have vanished, but tending is very much alive. The English are so uninterested in eating that there is not a single Restaurant, cafe, buffet, bistro - all are French. If only the food, too, were French.

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3	Barclay-Johnson	150.00	+10	2.00	1.33	11.3
4	Burgess-Brick	180.00	+15	2.25	1.25	14.4
5	Atwoods	160.00	+10	2.00	1.25	12.8
6	Wimpey (George)	140.00	+10	1.75	1.25	11.2
7	Manders	120.00	+10	1.50	1.25	9.6
8	Wiggins	100.00	+10	1.25	1.25	8.0
9	Barrat Devo	80.00	+10	1.00	1.25	6.4
10	Brick	60.00	+10	0.75	1.25	4.8
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11	Bassett Foods	120.00	+10	1.50	1.25	9.6
12	Home Farm	100.00	+10	1.25	1.25	8.0
13	Aspic Fisheries	80.00	+10	1.00	1.25	6.4
14	Argyll	60.00	+10	0.75	1.25	4.8
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18	Park Foods	5.00	+10	0.0625	1.25	0.4
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20	Wentons & Phillips	1.25	+10	0.015625	1.25	0.1
ELECTRICALS						
21	Dale Elect	120.00	+10	1.50	1.25	9.6
22	Audio Fidelity	100.00	+10	1.25	1.25	8.0
23	Western Selection	80.00	+10	1.00	1.25	6.4
24	Valis	60.00	+10	0.75	1.25	4.8
25	Scholes (GFI)	40.00	+10	0.50	1.25	3.2
26	Tussell Telecom	20.00	+10	0.25	1.25	1.6
27	UEI	10.00	+10	0.125	1.25	0.8
28	Presco	5.00	+10	0.0625	1.25	0.4
29	Stone Int	2.50	+10	0.03125	1.25	0.2
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36	Flax Art Dev	20.00	+10	0.25	1.25	1.6
37	Sears	10.00	+10	0.125	1.25	0.8
38	Smith (WH) A	5.00	+10	0.0625	1.25	0.4
39	Reine of London	2.50	+10	0.03125	1.25	0.2
40	Text Products	1.25	+10	0.015625	1.25	0.1

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500,000	Atwoods	160.00	+10	2.00	1.25	12.8
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125,000	Manders	120.00	+10	1.50	1.25	9.6
62,500	Wiggins	100.00	+10	1.25	1.25	8.0
31,250	Barrat Devo	80.00	+10	1.00	1.25	6.4
15,625	Brick	60.00	+10	0.75	1.25	4.8

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THE TIMES

FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

How to retool the old workshop of the world

The Lords Committee report on overseas trade has clearly got under the Government's skin. An excellent place for it to be, an unusually distinguished group of peers, elderly backwoodsmen filling in time at Westminster to earn their Lords attendance money. It is also because the report was neatly timed to provide the House of Commons - which returns to life today - with a new source of ink-pellets. Before their lordships' conclusions are entirely obliterated by such use, it is worth trying to separate the sense from the nonsense in their findings.

There are two initial problems with their report, and even with its terms of reference. The first is the confusion between manufacturing and trade. The two are not synonymous. Manufacturing accounts for only about two-thirds of our earnings from visible exports; and these are now exceeded by our invisible earnings. Although manufacturing industry still earns Britain twice as much abroad as our service industries do, it is still only a minority element in our full balance of payments.

The second diversion in the report is the strange concentration on the balance of trade in manufactures as a catch-all measure of economic achievement. This focus is natural, perhaps, in that Britain's swing into deficit has been spectacular. But it is an approach taken to final absurdity by the committee's assertion that sustainable growth has not been, and will not be possible without a favourable trade balance in manufactures. It is only necessary to try to apply this rule to the world as a whole to see how nonsensical it is.

The trade balance may give an early warning signal of productive failure. But it is a lousy measure of economic structure because it is heavily influenced by differences in growth rates between one country and another. The dangers into which such an approach can lead are neatly illustrated by the committee's own analysis of the causes of the deterioration in Britain's manufactured trade balance. Here we find that domestic economic policy in the early 1980s actually helped to restrain the decline from surplus to deficit, by deepening Britain's recession and hence checking British demand for imports. It is a bizarre kind of analysis of economic growth that scores recession as a plus.

But there is another, even more disturbing apprehension lurking behind such a proposition: that manufacturing is somehow superior to other ways of earning a living abroad. The old mechanical heart still throbs; Britain's pride in its historical glory as the workshop of the world dies hard, and with good reason. But it matters not at all whether we earn our living in farming, factories or finance: the division of economic endeavour into agriculture, manufacturing and services is little more than a statistical convenience. A proper national aim is simply to earn as large a living as we can, for as little sweat as possible (ie, in the jargon, "maximize our value-added") while doing as little damage as possible to our environment. On these criteria, some (not all) services clearly score better than traditional manufacturing, and are likely to score better still in the future.

As the manufacturing capacity of the developing world expands, so competition will squeeze the margins of profit even in countries with far lower wage costs than Britain; it is possible to see the production of cars, fridges and televisions following basic commodities into glut. In these circumstances it would be a blessing, not a curse, to depend on manufacturing for only a small share of our income.

But here the committee comes into its

own. For it is the opposite fallacy, dangerously played with by ministers, to suppose that service industries will automatically replace manufacturing. Clearly, as manufacturing's share of British output has declined from 32 per cent in 1960 to 21 per cent in 1983, the service share has correspondingly risen. Some shift, indeed, was inevitable; international competition and fast-rising productivity in manufacturing have continuously reduced the prices of manufactures relative to services. But by 1983 the British economy was substantially underemployed. The service sector had failed to expand fast enough to take up the slack; or put another way, the manufacturing sector had declined faster than necessary.

Very plainly, this is so; and it is a failure well-charted by the committee. Indeed, the Treasury's own analysis, published earlier this year, supplies much damning evidence. The main European economies, France, Germany, Italy, all with similar cost structures to our own, have not experienced so rapid a decline.

Equally plainly, oil has weighed in the balance, altering our economic structure. The three other industrial economies with substantial energy sectors - Canada, Holland, Norway - have all experienced a rapid manufacturing decline.

The long-run causes are singled out by the committee to be "poor investment, poor cost-competitiveness and cultural factors." This is an analysis with which the Chancellor could hardly wish to disagree. It is therefore regrettable he should have chosen to spray the committee with machine gun fire from his rostrum at the Mansion House last week.

What is needed is a slightly more selective use of the weapons of argument, by both sides. For the conclusions to be drawn by policy makers are that manufacturing can be fostered without interfering with the natural shift to services. Scattered through the report of the Lords committee are plenty of useful examples.

An old, but still valid complaint is that big state purchases give too little thought to the effect of their specifications on the producers' chances of selling the goods elsewhere in the world. A perennial theme adopted by the committee is the danger done by volatile exchange rates: markets, once lost, are hard to regain. There is a real cause for unease in the tension between the Department of Trade and Industry and the Treasury; British manufacturers are right to feel that our government system is less single-minded in the pursuit of British trading success than the bureaucracies of many competitor countries. So, for that matter, is British industry less far-seeing and cooperative in the pursuit of foreign market opportunities.

All this could and should be recognized by the Chancellor; but for its part, the Lords committee should recognize another truth. It is one thing to argue that policy could be greatly improved at no cost; it may well be that, on occasion, the direct subsidization of large manufacturing projects is justified by the consequential flow of orders; but the benefits must be weighed against the tax burden on other sectors of the economy. An economy in external difficulties may, of course, deliberately choose to tax the non-taxable sector of the economy in order to subsidize the tradable sector. But that is simply devaluation by another name; and not quite the course of action their lordships would favour.

Sarah Hogg
Economics Editor

Elders expected to offer £1.7bn for Allied-Lyons today

By Patience Wheatcroft

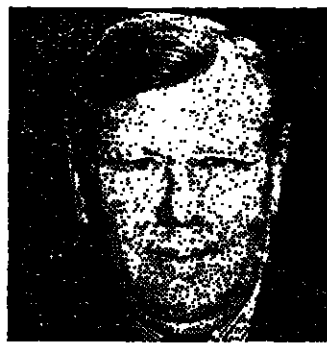
A £1.7 billion price tag is likely to be placed on Allied-Lyons today when the Australian conglomerate, Elders Ltd, launches its long awaited takeover bid for the company.

The City is looking for an initial offer of somewhere between 25p and 26p which recognizes will be nowhere near high enough to win the day. But it will signal that Elders and its chief executive, Mr John Elliott, are serious in their intentions towards the British brewing group.

Mr Elliott was locked away in meetings yesterday with his financial advisers, Hill Samuel, the merchant bank, putting the finishing touches to the bid, which will easily dwarf the £968 million paid by BAT for Eagle Star in 1983.

Hill Samuel said that figures such as 35p, suggested for Allied-Lyons, in some quarters of the City, were "absurdly high for such a ragbag of companies. The business is clearly not worth it".

Allied will be fighting the bid



Sir Derrick Holden-Brown: keen to end phoney war



John Elliott: finishing touches for offer

with all the strength that it and its advisers, S. G. Warburg, the merchant bank, and Cazenove, the stockbroker, can muster.

The Warburg view was that Mr Elliott would open up hostilities with an offer "probably over 25p in order not to get too bad a press - but we would be surprised if he goes to over 30p".

Allied and its chairman, Sir Derrick Holden-Brown, are thought to be keen to see the end of the phoney war. "Allied

which Elders appears to find necessary to justify its conduct".

Elders, which produces Foster's beer, has already boasted that its bankers, led by Citicorp, have raised sufficient backing for a bid at 25p a share. The company's attempts to arrange a consortium to back the bid and later divide up Allied have not been successful.

However, it is likely that if Elders could win control of Allied it would have little difficulty in finding buyers for the food and perhaps the wine and spirits division. Potential purchasers see no reason to do as Imperial Group did and identify themselves in advance of the bid, thus risking alienating themselves from Allied and its friends.

It must make an offer today to comply with the Takeover Panel's ruling that having announced an intention to bid for Allied eventually, it must do so within a specified time. If Elders fails to make a firm offer today it is likely to be banned from doing so for at least a year.

Nakasone to meet Reagan over trade

From Bailey Morris Washington

The Japanese Prime Minister, Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, is to meet President Reagan in New York this week in a second attempt to cool growing trade tensions between Japan and the United States.

The meeting, arranged at Japan's request, coincided with the arrival in New York of world leaders invited by Mr Reagan to a briefing on the upcoming US-Soviet summit in Geneva.

Mr Nakasone, alarmed by the Administration's tough new tone on trade matters, is seeking assurances from Mr Reagan that he will continue to fight protectionist measures in Congress.

Statements of support from Mr Reagan are important to Mr Nakasone's efforts to accelerate an "action programme" announced last July to open Japan's markets to Western goods and to continue his programme to depress the dollar to a range of from ¥200 to ¥220.

But statements by the White House and Congress have alarmed Japanese officials who fear they could re-ignite strongly-protectionist sentiment.

The White House, as part of its strategy to head-off protectionist legislation in Congress, has launched a campaign against the "unfair" trade practices of other nations which could lead to restrictive quotas and tariffs.

Business leaders have informed the Administration and Congress that they support tough action to force Japan to voluntarily cut exports to the United States and other markets. Steps by Japan to open its markets and stimulate domestic growth were welcomed by the business leaders who gave a warning however, that more must be done.

The new business strategy was outlined in talks between government officials and corporate leaders attending the biannual meeting of the Business Council comprised of the heads of America's largest companies.

While stopping short of an outright endorsement of a 25 per cent surcharge on exports from Japan and other countries, the business leaders none the less supported the idea of the protectionist bill as a bargaining tool that will force additional actions by the Nakasone Government.

Retirement offer at STC

Referring to recent press speculation, Mr Neville Cooper, the head of Administration at STC, the telecommunications and electronics group, said yesterday that he had not been asked to leave the company, and was not engaged in negotiating compensation.

However, he added: "It is true that there have been a number of departures since Lord Keith took over the chairmanship of STC from Sir Kenneth Corfield. It is also true that more than one of us have offered to discuss flexibility in retirement dates, if that would help in the reorganization of the company."

SGB waits for 'white knight'

By Cliff Feltham

Speculation increased over the weekend that a white knight may emerge for SGB Group, the scaffolding company, which is on the receiving end of a £22 million tender offer from C. H. Beazer, the builder.

Mr Neville Clifford-Jones, chairman of SGB, admitted: "I had thought that a so-called white knight might come along. I think that if it happens now it is more likely to be during the early part of this week."

The timing will be crucial because C. H. Beazer's tender offer for up to 25 per cent of SGB closes on Wednesday.

A big leap in profits at SGB has been forecast by Fielding, Newson-Smith, the stockbroker, in a note to clients.

Mr Angus Phaupe of Fielding said that profits could reach £17.5 million by 1987 against £11 million last year. He said that shareholders should ignore the offer from Mr Brian Beazer's group.

"What he has spotted is that SGB, after having had four to five years of declining fortunes, is now beginning to improve and he is therefore keen to acquire the company while the share price is still looking what it is, rather than what it is going to be."

He added "I do not think you will lose money by saying 'pass' on this, particularly if the price could drop initially if Beazer pulls out."

Al-Fayeds 'complain to Brittan'

By Our City Editor

The Department of Trade and Industry said yesterday that it had received a letter from Fawaz Al-Fayed, the solicitor acting on behalf of the Al-Fayed brothers, owners of Harrods and the nationwide chain of department stores operating under the House of Fraser banner.

The letter was sent to Mr Leon Brittan, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, who is considering it. The contents have not been officially divulged, but it is understood to contain strong criticism of Lomho's conduct as parent company for The Observer.

The Observer has in recent months, persistently alleged that the Al-Fayeds used funds obtained from the Sultan of Brunei to finance the purchase of House of Fraser, which cost £615 million cash. The takeover was preceded by Lomho selling its 29 per cent stake in Fraser to the Al-Fayeds. The Sultan of Brunei and the Al-Fayeds have denied the allegations.

The letter is believed to ask Mr Brittan whether Lomho "is fit to control any influential part of the British media".

£500m autumn sale likely for airports

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

Privatization of the British Airports Authority, which operates Heathrow and Gatwick, looks set for next autumn, with the £500 million flotation expected to be the subject of one of the Bills announced in the Queen's Speech on November 6.

The likeliest time for the sale of the BAA's seven airports, which also include Stansted in Essex and the Scottish airports of Glasgow, Edinburgh, Aberdeen and Prestwick, is after the British Airways flotation and before that of British Gas.

In accordance with the airports policy White Paper introduced in June by Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Secretary of State for Transport, the Bill will allow every important airport to be made into a limited company. The BAA will be privatized as a holding company with seven airport subsidiaries.

The Government is expected to have little difficulty in disposing of the BAA, which has made healthy profits from its commercial activities, including its lucrative duty-free operations, and the authority is also lobbying for the maximum proportion of shares to be offered to employees.

A new review of the BAA and

its privatization prospects, by Griesven Grant the stockbroker, concludes: "The BAA is one of the most successful nationalized industries. In the 19 years since its formation, profits have risen on all but three occasions. In that time, the authority has financed massive investment almost entirely from its own resources."

Privatization, it says, will bring many benefits to the airports. "It will improve financial flexibility, a key factor in financing the major level of capital expenditure required over the next few years."

A key area of concern, Griesven Grant says will be the monopoly that a privatized BAA will have. Continued regulation of traffic charges by the Civil Aviation Authority and pressure from the airlines and international bodies will restrict price increases. The BAA made a loss of £21.7 million on traffic operations last year, but Sir Norman Payne, the chairman, said he expected that area of operation to break even soon.

Privatization of Britain's state-owned warship yards continues, with sealed bids for Vospers Thornycroft at Southampton due last week.

Telegraph chief denies share plan

By William Kay City Editor

Lord Hartwell, chairman of the Daily Telegraph, denied yesterday that he had any plans to issue new shares in the company.

It was suggested over the weekend that as much as another 31 per cent of the existing share capital might be sold to raise £20 million because the group would meet its forecast of £5 million profits for the present year. The company publishes the Daily and Sunday Telegraph.

Lord Hartwell said: "I have no intention of making a further equity share issue at any time in the foreseeable future."

Asked about suggestions in the City that the group might make a loss this year, he replied: "As we are now a public company we shall be making an ordinary six months' interim statement sometime next month. Until then, I cannot comment on the figures."

In June the Telegraph sold the equivalent of 40 per cent of the equity to raise £30 million, and borrowed another £80 million, to finance a transfer of printing operations from Fleet Street to the London Docklands.

CBI forecasts rise in shop sales

By Our Industrial Correspondent

The retail industry is looking forward to another excellent Christmas. After a hiccup in September, sales in shops are set to rise again this month, according to the latest survey of distributive trends from the Confederation of British Industry.

The survey of 580 retailers and wholesalers shows that the balance reporting increased

sales volume fell from 63 per cent in August to 45 per cent in September but has bounced back to 53 per cent.

Mr John Salisse, chairman of the CBI's distributive trades panel, said: "Sales volumes are still well above last year's levels and retailers expect sales to increase faster this month."

Grocers and retailers of household goods, including cookers, fridges and television sets, are among the best performers, but shoe shops' sales were lower than a year ago. Mr Salisse added that some small retailers, such as corner shops, were still not doing as well as the large multiple shops. Wholesalers also report sales volume well above those of 1984 and expect further growth this month.

Owen Owen criticized by Clayform

By Our City Staff

Clayform Properties criticized the "outdated" trading approach of Owen Owen yesterday as part of its £40 million takeover bid for the Liverpool stores group.

Clayform, which is quoted on the Unlisted Securities Market, claims this property development and retailing expertise were needed to revitalize Owen Owen's retailing plans to redevelop some of the 21 stores and sell others.

"Sales per square foot, profits per employee and return on capital are all unacceptably low, particularly when compared to other retail groups. As a result, shareholders have received a totally inadequate return on their investment. This is reflected in Owen Owen's woeful record of zig-zag earnings per share over the last few years", Clayform alleged.

Meanwhile, Clayform's financial advisers, Samuel Montagu, again insisted that to prevent a false market being created in Owen Owen shares.

Fuller Peiser to value docks

Private surveyors have been called in to value the Royal Dockyards at Devonport, Devon, and Rosyth, Fife, in advance of the Government's plans to bring in commercial management.

Fuller Peiser, the chartered surveyors, has won the contract to value the 375 acres of buildings, plant and machinery at the two yards. The contract will be carried out on behalf of the Property Services Agency.

The yards refit and repair the Royal Navy's vessels from Polar submarines to coastal minesweepers, and have an annual turnover of £400 million.

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Rates cut still likely say brokers

By David Smith Economics Correspondent

City economists still expect reductions in base rates in the coming weeks, despite the Chancellor's reaffirmation of his caution on interest rates at the Mansion House last Thursday.

Mr Malcolm Roberts of Laing & Cruickshank, the broker, says that rates will be kept at present levels for now, in line with the Group of Five strategy on the dollar, but that they will be brought down towards the end of the year.

Griesven Grant's *Economic and Fiscal Review*, published over the weekend, suggests that rates will resume a gradual downward trend, with a rate of 10 per cent forecast for the Budget.

Mr Richard Jeffrey at the broker Hoare Govett says: "The first tentative steps towards reducing interest rates may be initiated in the near future", initiated the link between high debt sales and interest rates.

Curb on expos proposed

By Our City Editor

Moves are afoot to cut the number of world expositions, the expos that used to happen once in a decade but have recently become annual events.

Mr Patrick Reid, Canada's ambassador of the 1986 expos in Vancouver, British Columbia, and a former president of the Paris-based International Bureau of Expositions, said last week that he intended to lobby for four-yearly expos to be held between Olympics.

"Recent experience has shown that the world exposition concept can be damaged by having too many expos", he told *The Times*.

He also wants the organization of these huge jamborees to come under the direct control of the host nation's central government.

Vancouver's will be the fourth in five years. The three previous ones have varied from the only partly successful to the near disastrous.

That should not apply to Vancouver's transport and communications expo, which is being put on at a cost of £802 million (£416.5 million).

The expo after Vancouver will be in Brisbane, Australia, in 1988, followed by Seville, Spain, in 1992.

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS	
Friday's close and change on week	
FT Ind Ord	1050.9 (+23.4)
FT All Share	852.75 (+10.00)
FT Govt Securities	84.57 (+0.43)
FT-SE 100	1341.2 (+18.9)
Bergains	24.208
Datastream USM	106.08 (-0.05)
New York	
Dow Jones	1368.84 (+28.90)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	12973.22 (+23.30)
Hong Kong	
Hang Seng	1639.89 (+56.34)

INTEREST RATES	
London:	
Bank Base:	11 1/2%
3-month Interbank	11 1/4-11 1/2%
3-month eligible bill	buying rate 11 1/4-11 1/2%
US:	
Prime Rate	9.50%
Federal Funds	7 1/4-7 1/2%
3-month Treasury Bill	7 1/2-7 3/4%
30-year bonds	10 1/2-10 3/4%

CURRENCIES	
Friday's close and change on week	
London:	
£/\$	1.4285 (+0.0177)
£/DM	3.7644 (+0.0122)
£/Sfr	3.0955 (+0.0165)
£/FF	11.4976 (+0.0564)
£/Yen	307.23 (+3.85)
Index	80.6 (+0.6)
New York:	
£/\$	1.4285
£/DM	3.7644
£/Sfr	3.0955
£/FF	11.4976
£/Yen	307.23
Index	80.6

BOARD MEETINGS	
TODAY - Interims:	Abbey Life Group, Barlows, Bestwood, More O'Ferrall, Western Bros; Final: Highland Distilleries Company, High-Point Services Group, IBL, Marlowest Securities, Third Mile Investment.
TOMORROW - Interims:	Benlos Holdings, British & American Film Holdings, English National Investment Co, First Charlotte Assets Trust, Harris Queensway, Leo Cooper Group, Walter Runciman, Scottish Mortgage and Trust, Slightfoot Holdings, Final: H J Baldwin, Klark-Ishnik, Precious Metals Trust, Wolsley-Hughes.
WEDNESDAY - Interims:	Ambrose Investment Trust, Bromsgrove, Clive Discount Holdings, Egan, French Connection Group, Gerrard & National, F J C Lilley, London and Northern Group, Marlborough Property Holdings, Ruo Estates Holdings, Securities Trust of Scotland, Western Doores Te Holdings. Final: McKechie Brothers, Prestwick Holdings.
THURSDAY - Interims:	Anchor Chemical Group, British and Commonwealth Shipping Co, Chrysalis Group, Imperial Chemical Industries, Philip Hill Investment Trust, Leopold Joseph Sterling Fund, Norscott Hotels, S I Group. Final: Arbuthnot Government Securities Trust, Arbuthnot Japan Growth Fund, British Assets Trust, Goodman Brothers, Management, Broze Holdings, Rand Mines Properties, Walker & Homer Group.
FRIDAY Interims:	Henry Boot and Sons, Brent Walker Holdings, Channel Tunnel Investment Holdings, Hunting Petroleum Services, Photax (London), Polymark International, Prince of Wales Hotels, Tothill Corporation, E Upton and Sons. Final: Fitzwilliam.

BT in Channel link

British Telecommunications is being strongly urged to join the European consortium planning to build the Channel tunnel. The biggest shareholder, the present is Trafalgar House. General Electric Company is also said to be a likely member of the group, which must submit its financing proposals to the British and French Governments by the end of this month.

ORDINARY SHARES

Ivory & Sime takes a bow as foreign trusts star again

The launch last week by Ivory & Sime of the £12 million Continental Assets Trust has helped to draw investors' attention to the attractions of this time-honoured but now rapidly changing sector.

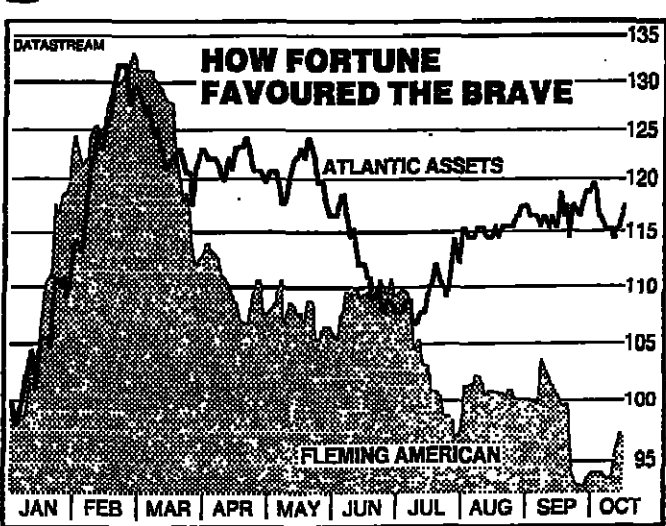
CAT is the latest in the new breed of trusts specializing in smaller companies overseas, some of which have been rewarded for their ingenuity by having their shares standing at above net asset value. That has been a rare achievement lately.

The renewed emphasis on foreign trusts is no coincidence. The dizzy merry-go-round in the foreign exchange market has played havoc with the asset values of many trusts, but has also presented unparalleled risks and opportunities for investors.

One of the happiest winners in this game must be Ivory & Sime, one of the most distinguished of the Edinburgh investment trust clan.

In February its Atlantic Assets Trust Fund and Atlantic's 60 per cent subsidiary, the Independent Investment Company, each executed forward foreign exchange contracts for the sale of \$75 million. It was a brave move: though it is now a roll now in February the pound was heading for parity with the dollar, and many thought it would bottom at about 80 cents.

Ivory sold that \$150 million at a rate of \$1.07366 to the pound, valuing it at £139 million. The contract matures next February, but if the pound holds its present rate of about \$1.41, the two Ivory trusts will have made a profit of £33 million.



The chart demonstrates how the market has shown its appreciation of Ivory's bravery and far-sightedness in regard to Atlantic, which nevertheless still sells at an 18 per cent discount to assets. The American content sent demand soaring in February, but that alone was not enough to keep Fleming American's shares up; the reason is that that is one of the transatlantic trusts which has not hedged its position against the declining dollar.

Fleming would doubtless argue that in the long run right is on its side. Although the currency outlook is clouded by the debate over the US deficit, there seems little prospect at this stage of reversing the steady appreciation of the dollar against sterling. But investment trusts, like any other equities, are for buying and selling and this year Fleming American has been a sell.

Although its underlying performance is sound, an unhedged US-based investment trust - or unit trust for that matter - is going to be a dull counter until the dollar resumes the upward path.

Some of the more aggressive trusts have been deliberately borrowing dollars to hedge them. A month ago TR Natural Resources borrowed \$7.5 million, converted it into sterling and bought 10 1/2 per cent Exchequer 1987 to hedge both its capital and income accounts.

A more straightforward currency play has been to buy Japan-based investment trusts. The yen rose by more than 8 per cent against sterling in September, and the stockbrokers, de Zoete and Bevan, point out that the seven top-performing trusts in the month all had a Japanese flavour, led, poignantly, by Fleming Japanese with a rise in net asset value of 9.5 per cent.

But there is a trade-off. Just

as Wall Street has been flared by the liberating possibilities of a weaker currency, so the Tokyo market has been restrained by the growing prospect of its leading companies having to hurdle a rising yen. This dilemma is made no easier by the torrent of protectionist Bills swirling round Capitol Hill these days, many of them with a distinctly anti-Japanese flavour.

That argues for Tokyo-targeted trusts hinging in on equities that rely mainly on the domestic economy. Personal incomes are rising rapidly over there, and there are likely to be more public works projects. Tokyo shares have reflected these uncertainties in recent weeks, but the start of the new year this month has seen a promising upward thrust.

Share prices of the Japanese trusts have not kept pace with the asset improvement, and the discount is standing at about 15 per cent. Philip Butt, of de Zoete, believes that these discounts still have some way to fall, and he recommends selective buying.

One of Mr Butt's favourites is TR Pacific Basin, where the share price of 118p gives a discount to net assets of 20 per cent. Fleming Far East at 81 1/2p on a discount of 22 per cent, and Drayton Japan at 406p on a discount of 17 per cent.

All these have the virtue of being reasonably marketable. Unlike their counterparts in the world of unit trusts, marketability is an important factor in choosing investment trusts, as shares in some of the smaller ones can be hard to unload.

William Kay

City Editor

USM REVIEW

Life to begin at 40 for Merrydown?

Nearly 40 years ago two amateur wine-makers pressed 400 gallons of cider, and one of the USM's most successful companies was born.

Merrydown Wine Co. has come a long way since Mr Ian Howie, now chairman, and Mr Jack Ward, president, borrowed a 200-year-old press from a farmer to start the flow of strong Sussex cider which has become an accepted part of the drinks scene and accounts for more than 2 per cent of the cider market.

But although Merrydown is dwarfed by the industry leaders, H. P. Bulmer Holdings, Tanton Cider Co. and Coates Gaymer's, it has established itself in the high-strength and consequently most profitable sector.

Its profits have advanced spectacularly. In 1981, as the company moved from the special dealing rule market to the USM, profits were £39,000. For the year to last March, Merrydown rolled out £1.26 million and could make more than £1.5 million this year. Its

shares have dutifully responded to the profits exuberance. In 1980 they could be picked up for about 30p. They have since approached 400p and are now 315p.

Messrs Howie and Ward launched their enterprise in the garage of Mr Ward's house, called Merrydown, at Rotherfield, East Sussex.

It made heady early progress and seemed destined to become a 1950s stock market debutant. But then a dramatic tax switch almost destroyed the company.

Merrydown's high-strength cider market evaporated overnight when the Macmillan Government imposed wine duty on all products with an alcohol content over 15 per cent, and the change hit Merrydown's cider.

Merrydown restyled its vintage cider as apple wine. But sales plummeted. The company was forced to survive on a diet of apple concentrate, fruit wines and contract bottling. Then it re-entered the cider market with a brand whose alcohol content

was below the crucial 15 per cent.

Now its vintage brands are the leading strong ciders and seem to be immune from the depression afflicting the cider market after a sharp rise.

Next year Merrydown celebrates its 40th birthday. There is already speculation in the City that it will mark the event with a special dividend, perhaps a share bonus. Some also think that the company, which has many stockbroker fans, will decide that full stock market life begins at 40 and apply for a full listing.

With its splendid record since it came to the USM it would have no difficulty making the transition from junior to senior market. In this respect Merrydown resembles Garfunkels Restaurants, which announced plans for a full listing last week.

The latest USM arrivals are both, by junior market standards, established companies. Ealing Electro-Optics, as R. & J. Beck, was started in the 1860s. Gibbon Lyons Group,

maker of printing inks, dates from 1807.

However, the contrast in the flotation methods is great. EEO is coming via an offer for sale of 5,750,000 shares, 57.5 per cent of the capital, at 95p a share. The company is valued at £9.5 million.

The costs of the two share sales also differ sharply. With so many shares on offer, EEO had to float through an offer for sale, the most expensive method. In addition there is a strong American connection with all the extra accountancy and legal fees such a link produces.

The company was acquired by the Ealing Corporation of America in 1966. After the share sale Ealing will still have 42.5 per cent of the capital.

The issue is costing £840,000, high by any standard. EEO will pay £440,000 with Ealing meeting the rest of the bill. In contrast Gibbon Lyons, headed by the former radio and TV comedy scriptwriter Mr Michael Gibbon, is coming to market at a cost of £50,000.

Deals in EEO start on October 31. Trading in Gibbon Lyons shares is due to start next Monday.

Derek Pain and Pam Spooner

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COMPANY NEWS

IN BRIEF

● **MILFORD DOCKS:** Results for the six months to June 30 (figures in £000) show turnover of 454 (476), loss before interest and depreciation at 211 (82) and loss before tax at 281 (141). Loss per £1 ordinary share was 9.01p (4.35p).

● **ALCANTARA AND SONS:** Results for the six months to July 31 include an interim dividend of 0.25p (same), payable on December 6. With figures in £000, turnover was 7,512 (7,246), trading (loss) 250 (18 profit) and pre-tax loss 218 (258 profit). Loss per share was 3.4p (2.1p earnings).

● **TI GROUP:** KFW Canada has opened a Can \$5 million (£2.5 million) plant in Orillia, Ontario, to manufacture precision-machined, high-temperature alloy rings for jet engines.

● **LASTVIEW INVESTMENT TRUST:** The company has declared, as forecast, an interim dividend of 1.0p per ordinary share (last year's equivalent of 0.8p) for the year ending March 31 to reduce the disparity between the interim dividend and annual payments. The dividend is payable on December 2.

● **BORDER AND SOUTHERN STOCKHOLDERS TRUST:** A final dividend of 2.3p making 3.6 (3.3p) for the year to September 30 has been declared. With figures in £000, dividends and interest received totalled 2,383 (6,691) less expenses and interest payable amounting to 3,078 (1,360). Earnings per share rose to 3.6p (3.52p).

● **UTIC:** Preliminary results of the company for the six months to June 30 show turnover up to £8.66 million from £1.60 million last year. Pre-tax profit rose to £301,271 (£105,291). A first-time interim dividend of 4p per share is being paid by the company whose shares are listed on over-the-counter market.

● **TELEFLEX INC.:** of Limerick, Pennsylvania, said at the weekend it had bought two British companies - Franklin Medical and Warner Surgical Products Ltd, both medical device manufacturers. Teleflex said the acquisitions would provide additional manufacturing facilities for its products and create a worldwide marketing and distribution network.

● **ELECTRON HOUSE:** Contracts have been exchanged for the purchase of the entire capital of Kelvin, subject to shareholders' approval.

● **SOLEX:** Results for the six months to June 30 (figures in £000) show turnover of 7,128 (7,036), pre-tax loss 715 (profit 20). Loss per A and B share 12.3p (earnings 0.1p).

● **SCOTTISH METROPOLITAN PROPERTY:** The company is paying a final dividend of 2.3p making 4p (3.75p) for the year to August 15. With figures in £000, turnover was 1,211 (1,211), pre-tax loss 1,760 (1,760), and pre-tax profit 6,732 (6,769). Earnings per share were 4.38p (4.13p).

THE GILTS MARKET
Lawson resists alarmists but gives few answers

By Stephen Lewis

The Chancellor must have been looking forward to the Mansion House speech last Thursday as a fine opportunity to reestablish the Government's initiative in the monetary policy area. Throughout the summer, Mr Nigel Lawson had silently borne the barbs of an increasingly capacious City.

How did the M0 and EM3 targets relate to each other? What exactly was the role of the exchange rate in interest rate determination? How about the "bill mountain"? Could all this be set in the context of the medium term financial strategy? What remained of the MTFs? These were the questions addressed in the gilt brokers' circulars.

On Thursday Mr Lawson had the chance to remove the doubts and reassert control. A few quotations capture the flavour of his speech.

"I am confident that the policies now in place and the techniques of monetary management we are using can ensure control."

"There is, essentially, nothing new in this approach to the conduct of monetary policy."

"What has not changed, however, is the essence of policy."

The Chancellor was surely right resolutely to resist the alarmist feelings engendered in some quarters of the gilt-edged market by the circumstance that EM3 has grown by more than 14 per cent over the past year when the Government's target for growth in this measure is only 5-9 per cent. Sterling M3 has almost certainly been distorted upwards this year as a result of the liberalization of the financial system. The question is, though, how much this factor has contributed to EM3 growth.

The EM3 credit counterpart, that is, the public sector's financing, bank lending and the complex flows of funds which are classified as external flows and changes in the banks' net non-deposit liabilities, provide the clue. The public sector

The "bill mountain" was, indeed, mentioned in the speech but only as one of the undesirable side effects of the Government's earlier "over-funding" policy in the gilt-edged market. On funding, the objective is to fund the PSBR over the year as a whole, no more, no less.

The Chancellor probably did not intend to have his words taken literally. The PSBR has been underfunded by about £2 billion so far this financial year; to return to a fully-funded position by year-end would require an increase in the rate of gilt sales to that achieved in the first quarter of this year.

The chief dangers in the Government's present policy-stance are longer-term. The authorities are, reserving to themselves discretion over monetary policy, and are giving no assurances at this stage on fiscal policy. The PSBR and public spending are more properly addressed in the Autumn Statement, due next month, than in a speech to bankers but, last week, the Chancellor said that he would be reticent on these fiscal matters. The Government can rely only on its performance with respect to the Chancellor's preferred target-variables, M0 and the sterling exchange rate, to maintain credibility in its strategy.

But these variables are coincidental indicators of brewing inflationary problems, if not of the recorded inflation rate itself. They do not point the way to difficulties ahead. By the time M0 and sterling are signalling trouble it is already too late for the authorities to rectify the position through a small interest rate adjustment. A sharp interest rate hike is then necessary to restore policy to an anti-inflationary course. That is what went wrong last winter.

There is no change, as they were saying at the Mansion House. The author is a partner in Phillips & Drew, the stockbroker.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

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9,835,000	A & H Hires	195	+	4	8.6	2.9	14.1
1,000,000	AAI	210	+	2	2.16	3.9	13.9
2,655,000	Academy	80	+	3	4.0	8.0	8.2
1,000,000	Aerovox	90	+	3	4.0	8.0	8.2
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Norman equals course record to inspire an Australian conquest

Greg Norman completed a marvellous week when he put together a round of 65, seven under par, to lead Australia to a comprehensive 3-0 win over the United States in the inaugural Dunhill Cup final on the Old Course at St Andrews yesterday.

For a few glorious moments, the charismatic Norman was on the threshold of establishing a new course record — one better than that set by Neil Coles in 1970 — but he took three putts on the 17th green to besmirch an otherwise flawless performance.

Norman's conquest of Mark O'Meara — he won by no less than six shots — inflated Australian morale to such an extent that Graham Marsh and David Graham went on to beat Ray Floyd and Curtis Strange respectively by comfortable three-shot margins.

Since the three Australians shared a first prize of £225,000 it was hardly surprising that the dispute between Marsh and Graham concerning appearance money at tournaments in their native country, which was well documented during the preparations for this event, was forgotten.

Marsh and Graham had no hesitation in showering praise

upon one another, although, without question, the hero of the Australian team was Norman, who won each of his four matches during the week with a collective score of 275, which is 13 under par.

Norman has yet to win an Open Championship — indeed he lacks the prestige of a major championship in his record — so he might be somewhat aggrieved to learn that his overall aggregate of 275 is only one shot better than the record of 276 set by Severiano Ballesteros.

Ballesteros signed a contract at St Andrews yesterday that will be worth \$1m over the next five years to him and his three partners, Mamel, Vicente, and Ballesteros.

Ballesteros, who won the second of his two Open titles at the headwaters of the game in 1984, is to be the touring professional of the Old Course Golf and Country Club. The deal will be signed with another contract to be renewed shortly by Ballesteros with the La Manga Club in Spain.

Morever, his final round of the week must be recognized as one of the finest composed at the home of golf, especially as, with the wind freshening during the afternoon, he faced the formidable O'Meara, who had

broken 70 in each of his three previous rounds.

The key to Norman's electrifying form was a tesson from his fellow countryman, Bruce Devlin, who spotted that Norman had the ball one inch too far forward in his stance. Fractions mean a great deal in golf, and employing this change, Norman emerged after 18 holes to expound that this performance rated as one of the three best striking rounds of his career.

In fact he was not required to hole a putt longer than 12 feet for his five birdies in an outward half of 31, and his card, which eventually contained eight birdies, was spoiled in the end only by his aggressive desire to hole from 30ft for another birdie at the 17th.

Norman sent the ball six feet past the hole and he missed the return, but, come the end, it mattered not. Australia, the second seeds, had won their most important golf tournament as a team since Devlin and Graham carried them to victory in the 1970 World Cup.

FINAL: Australia 3, United States 0 (G Norman 65 to M O'Meara 71; G Marsh 71 to R Floyd 74; D Graham 69 to C Strange 72).

THIRD-PLACE PLAY-OFF: Scotland 2, Wales 1 (G Lyle 70 to J Wootton 71; G Brand 70 to D Llewellyn 76; S Torrance 74 lost to P Parkin 71).

Brown at the front after seven birdies in 10 holes

Pensacola, Florida (Reuters) — Ken Brown, of Britain, played his finest round in two years on the PGA tour on Saturday as he scored a seven-under-par 64 tie with John Cook and Danny Willett for the third round lead in the Pensacola Open.

Brown, who birdied seven of the first 10 holes, only once failed to achieve at least par as he recorded a 54-hole total of 202, 11 under par for the 7,093-yard Peroldo Bay course.

Cook, who shot an eight-under-par 63 for the first round lead, made a 68 to keep up with Brown and Edwards, who scored his second 67. Calvin Peete, who won here in 1983, Citi Midway Mark McCumber and Steve Bottom were one shot back on 203.

"After 10 holes I thought I might do something special," Brown said. He birdied six of the first nine holes for a 29 and then birdied the 10th.

"I had thoughts of shooting 59 if I could go on and birdie the 11th because it certainly is a hole you can birdie." That was not to be as he took three putts from 50 feet for a six on the par-five 11th. Brown could in fact manage only one more birdie, at the 16th.

Cook took one-over-par on three of the first seven holes but he came alive with an eagle-three at the 15th, where he hit a driver and then a three-wood to win this feat.

Edwards had the lead to himself at 12 under but he took one over par at the 17th when he hit into a bunker.

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EQUESTRIANISM

Peaches and cream occasion

From Jenny MacArthur, Boekelo, the Netherlands

The United States swept to victory at the Three-day event here yesterday when Bruce Davidson, one of their Olympic team gold medal winners held on to his overnight lead on the nine-year-old Mr Peaches, and his compatriot Katrijn Walnes made up to take second place on The Gray Goose.

The United States also won the team competition in which Britain finished second.

Mark Todd of New Zealand, completing three days of brilliant riding when he finished third on Mr and Mrs Michael Welman's outstanding seven-year-old Michaelmas Day, the winner at Rotherfield Park in August and now a likely runner at Badminton in April.

Lucinda Green on SR Direct Mail's 10-year-old Shannagh was the highest-placed British rider but after a superb cross-country round she dropped from second to fourth place when they hit fence two, a small white gate in yesterday's show jumping.

Of the other 17 British riders competing Helen Ogden, aged 21, a team member on Superlighter and Debbie Saffell in the eight-year-old Ballydun, a horse which has been much admired here, both gave

exemplary performances to take sixth and eighth place respectively.

The other three team members: Lorna Clarke on Danville, Rachel Hunt on Piplet and Anne-Marie Taylor on Jimmy Cricket, also acquitted themselves well, and considering that, with the exception of Mrs. Clarke, it was a relatively inexperienced team up against a top American team their second place was well-deserved. Robert Lemieux on The Gammaster dropped out of contention after a ride when he finished third on Mr and Mrs the water fence of the cross-country.

There was plenty of drama yesterday starting at the veterinary inspection where the French horse Kopino, lying second overnight, was reported as not coming forward. Neither did the West German horse Imp who had been in eighth place. The West Germans also lost Bettina Overesch's Peace-time who was spun.

The course for the show jumping was ominously small for the British riders, but with a team roster based on going clear hopes were raised. Excitement over Mrs Green's chances increased when Bertoni and Gerd Sybrecht, who had been lying fourth equal with Todd's team, were eliminated.

Then it was Todd's turn — his very presence in the arena being little short of a miracle after his crash through a wooden bridge at the start of Saturday's cross-country. But yesterday, both horse and rider looking fit and well, they produced a round clear round in the show jumping.

Mrs Green then made her fateful error, giving Davidson one fence in hand. But Davidson, twice the world champion, had no need of any advantage. Spurred on, perhaps, by the British protest after his cross-country round — it was claimed that he had had a refusal at the water but it was not upheld — he and Dr Peaches made no mistake.

Davidson is now in the enviable position of having the three top horses — Dr Peaches, The Pilot Kid and J J Babu — for possible selection for next year's world championships.

RESULTS: Individual: 1. Dr Peaches (G Davidson, US) 43.40; 2. The Gray Goose (K Walnes, US) 51; 3. Michaelmas Day (M Todd, NZ) 52.40; 4. Shannagh (L Green, NZ) 53.40; 5. Superlighter (H Ogden, NZ) 54.40; 6. Ballydun (D Saffell, NZ) 55.40; 7. Jimmy Cricket (A Taylor, NZ) 56.40; 8. Danville (L Clarke, NZ) 57.40; 9. Piplet (R Hunt, NZ) 58.40; 10. The Gammaster (R Lemieux, NZ) 59.40; 11. The Pilot Kid (J J Babu, NZ) 60.40; 12. The Gray Goose (K Walnes, US) 61.40; 13. Michaelmas Day (M Todd, NZ) 62.40; 14. Shannagh (L Green, NZ) 63.40; 15. Superlighter (H Ogden, NZ) 64.40; 16. Ballydun (D Saffell, NZ) 65.40; 17. Jimmy Cricket (A Taylor, NZ) 66.40; 18. Danville (L Clarke, NZ) 67.40; 19. Piplet (R Hunt, NZ) 68.40; 20. The Gammaster (R Lemieux, NZ) 69.40; 21. The Pilot Kid (J J Babu, NZ) 70.40; 22. The Gray Goose (K Walnes, US) 71.40; 23. Michaelmas Day (M Todd, NZ) 72.40; 24. Shannagh (L Green, NZ) 73.40; 25. Superlighter (H Ogden, NZ) 74.40; 26. Ballydun (D Saffell, NZ) 75.40; 27. 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FOOTBALL: REPAIRING THE RIFT WITH TELEVISION AND REBUILDING MORE THAN A GROUND AT BRADFORD

No sign of a phoenix in ashes of Bradford

By Peter Ball

Nearly six months after the worst tragedy in English sport, the death of 53 people in the fire which ravaged Bradford City's main stand during the club's last match of the 1984-85 season at Lincoln City on May 11, Bradford council meet today to decide whether to make any contribution to the rebuilding of the Valley Parade ground.

As expected, the council decide to offer some financial help. It will be the first tangible aid the club has received since the disaster. While the disaster fund for the victims and their dependants stands at £3.8 million, the club's financial position is more precarious.

Currently 15th in the second division and without even a temporary home until next month, at Old Trafford, the club is facing litigation as a result of the fire, with unfavourable financial prospects.

Officers of support from the government, the EEC and other official bodies in the period immediately after the fire have not materialised. "Maggie Thatcher came up here for a visit and there was a lot of talk about what the government would do, but nothing has happened," said Trevor Cherry, the club's manager. "The tragedy will never be forgotten, but it is now just a pile of paper in somebody's in-tray."

Although it was impossible to imagine that the club's sufferings could get worse as sympathy and offers of help poured in during May, last month's disaster has been added to the list when the company owned by the Bradford chairman, Stafford Hebblethwaite, was placed in receivership, triggering off a conflict on the club's ownership which have faced the club and their administrators since May.

Cherry, his assistant Terry Varath and others were occupied in the summer picking up cheques for the appeal fund that prevented them from preparing properly for the new season at the higher level. The lack of money proved an additional handicap.

"I wasn't able to do what I had planned to do during the summer," Cherry said. "We have no money, and we now have the weakest staff I've had since we've been here. Including the two goalkeepers I have a first team squad of 14. We have got some good players, but they are all at the younger end. The reserve team is made up of kids from the Youth Training Scheme."

Playing resources are only part of the problems facing Cherry. Indecision over where the club should base itself wasted precious time. Were they to stay at Valley Parade, beginning the season there with a temporary stand; move to Park Avenue, where room for redevelopment on the site of the old Bradford Park Avenue ground is greater, or to Bradford Northern's Oldfield?

As a result of the indecision, the club's young, inexperienced team has begun the season under the severe handicap of playing most of their matches away from home. League matches split between Leeds United's ground and Huddersfield Town's. Next month, when they return to their permanent temporary home at Oldfield, they will have played four home League matches and 10 away.

The decision to switch some of their fixtures to opponents' grounds, might not have been wise. The move to Oldfield will solve some of those problems, but not all. The tight little Valley Parade ground was an asset to the team - the sort of ground opponents hate going to. As Cherry remarks, it is "potentially a super stadium" but Bradford's fans are likely to get lost on its huge terraces, and with the speed of the track surrounding the pitch dictating them from the game, it will, he says, be "a neutral venue". Whatever the council's decision, the club will rebuild Valley Parade.

Cherry and Varath are a resilient partnership, possibly the clubs greatest existing asset, and neither official obstructionism would be likely to deter them for long. However, the board trouble could prove the last straw. Cherry has gone here to further his career and clear off at the first opportunity with a bad name. Cherry said, "I've always played at clubs a long time. I believe in loyalty. Since the fire I don't think anyone has thought to helping Terry and me over problems, and in the last month it has crossed my mind whether there is any point in my being here."

By Stuart Jones
Football CorrespondentManchester United.....1
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The world will appreciate that the domestic championship race is far from over, even if England has not been allowed such a clear view. It has been estimated that 40 million people around the globe witnessed the evidence that was beamed live on television on Saturday. The home audience, confined to Old Trafford, was almost one thousand times smaller.

Europeans who watched it, and particularly the teams remaining in the Cup Winners' Cup and the UEFA Cup, will be thankful that Manchester United and Liverpool were excluded from this season's competition. They will be relieved that the ban imposed on English clubs is not expected to be lifted for at least another two years.

It was a game of the highest class. During a first half that was relatively sterile for those who are stirred only by goalmouth incidents, Liverpool resembled Juventus at their best. With Lawrenson sweeping behind Hansen and the admirable Molby, they comfortably resisted United's attack and occasionally launched promising raids of their own.

Once Johansson had headed home simply, 16 seconds after the interval, to complete a break by Rush, Liverpool had already broken two of United's records. No other Canon League visitors had scored at Old Trafford and no other side anywhere had taken the lead against them. It seemed likely that they would also claim a third. But McGrath protected United's unbeaten sequence midway through the second half with the assistance of both posts and, after Barnes had come on to widen their approach, they finished as the dominant force.

As the curtain was coming down on another memorable fixture, Hansen, under pressure from Hughes, headed a corner flying against his own bar.

If that had gone in, it would have been an injustice. Ron Atkinson conceded later. "They were the better side overall, and in the first half by a street. They were more commanding than we had ever been against us," Atkinson also admitted

that he had yielded to Liverpool's reputation before the start, reluctantly moving McGrath, whom he described justifiably as "the best centre half in the first division", into midfield "because if you don't have power there you give them the game." Yet, for 45 minutes McGrath was arguably the least influential figure. As his manager put it: "He was living in a dream world."

It was not until Moses had retired with an ankle injury and United were flapping with both wings that they lifted their challenge. As Olsen emerged from obscurity, Liverpool's side doors began to be unhinged and their central gates started to creak as well as Whiteside and Hughes were to discover.

Kenny Dalglish used a sweeper system for the first time in the victory at Everton a month ago and says he will return to it whenever Liverpool visit potentially awkward opponents. There will be no genuine need to do so again until the middle of December when they go to Arsenal.

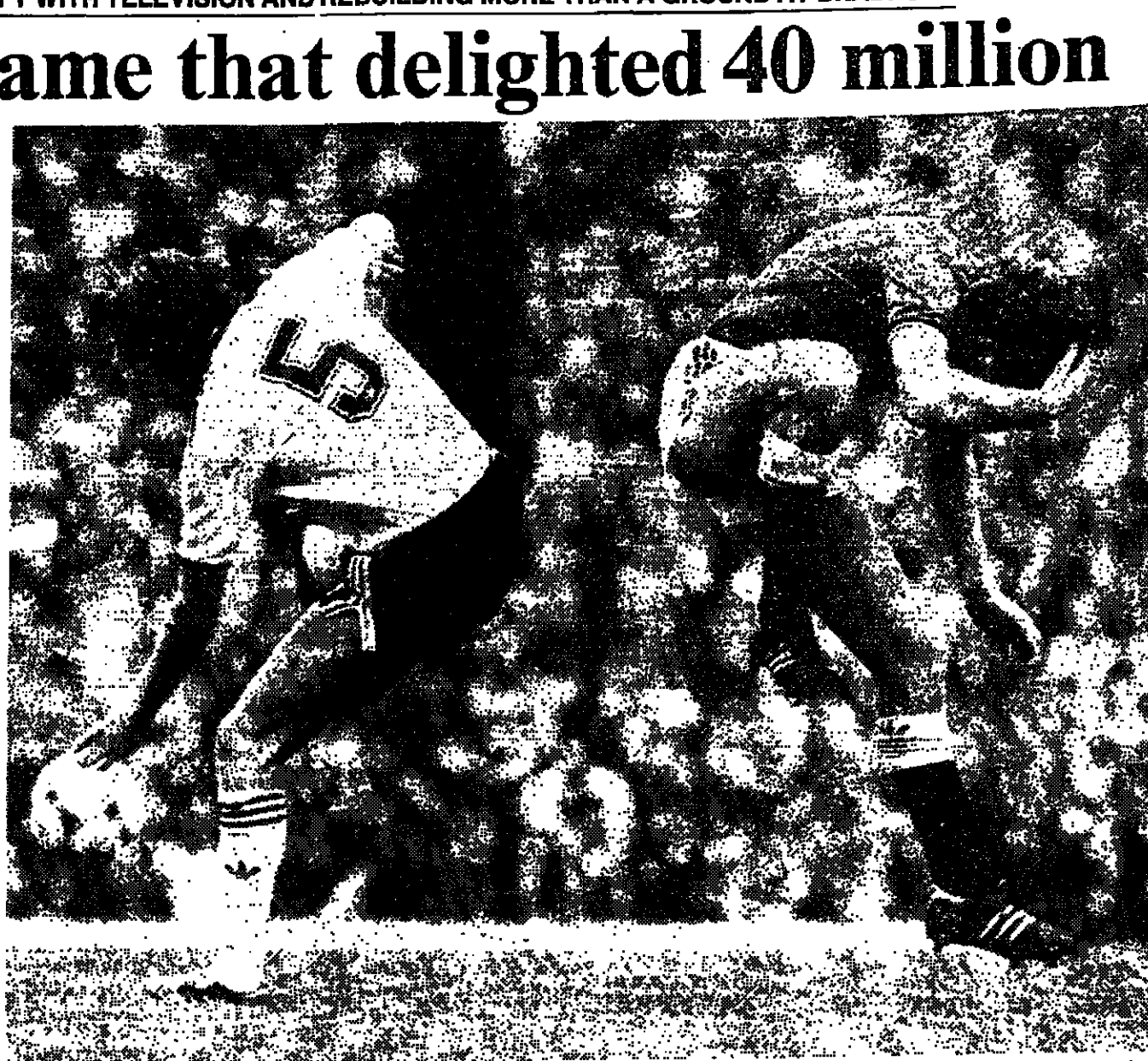
Coventry City and Birmingham City, their only first division hosts between now and then, scarcely deserve such respect. Nor apparently do Southampton, who entertain Liverpool in the Super Cup tomorrow night, Dalglish was stunned to hear that Shilton had been beaten seven times at Luton Town. "It must have been like the Alamo," he said.

By the time he takes his

minutely impressive side to Highbury the 10-point gap at the top is almost certain to have been reduced, perhaps even dramatically so. United, whose opening programme represented little more than a light breeze, have turned the corner into a stiff wind and there will be only momentary respite until the New Year.

Atkinson does not expect either Shilton or Robson to be available for at least another fortnight. They will miss Saturday's journey to Chelsea, who have yet to drop a point at home, and possibly to Sheffield Wednesday. Further ahead lie fixtures against Tottenham Hotspur and Arsenal at home and Everton away.

The world will continue to



Sore point: Whiteside makes sure his head is still attached after a collision with Whelan (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

the developments in a race that still promises to be thrillingly close and England, mercifully, may not remain blinkered for much longer. The Football League's negotiating team are to meet the television companies' representatives on Wednesday. If sense prevails, the game could be brought back to the nation's screens within a month.

MANCHESTER UNITED: G Bailey; M Duxbury, A Alderton, N Whiteside, K McGovern, Hogg, P McGee, R Moss (sub: P Barnes), M Hughes, F Stapleton, J Olsen.

LIVERPOOL: G Grobbelaar; S Nichol, J Beglin, M Lawrenson, R Whelan, A Hansen, J Molby, J Wark (sub: K McDonald), I Rush, C Johnston, S McDonald.

Referee: A Saunders (Newcastle).

however, but Miller and Houghton had no such excuse. In the second half, the ineffective Ardiles and Coventry, lost Bowman and their grip in midfield. Falco scored with a simple header and Chiodo, similarly unmarked, squeezed home the winner.

Just when we thought we had more than our share of fun, Ogrizovic, coming late for a ball, unintentionally tripped Chiodo as the ball ran out of play and the referee awarded a free kick. The referee, who had been in the middle of the pitch, was not reached that far yet. His enquiry more modestly referred to the safety of the 19th position, something akin to heaven when you have been through hell as Albion have.

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Celtic still uninspiring

By Hugh Taylor

Although Celtic beat Motherwell 2-1 at Fir Park, to remain joint leaders of the premier division with Aberdeen, their performance was again mostly lacklustre, leaving their supporters unconvinced that the championship is ever within their grasp. They were, indeed, matched for most of their encounter by a spirited Motherwell side giving no hint of their lowly League position.

Only at the start of the game did Celtic play to form. McStay opened the scoring in 10 minutes with a well-worked goal but frustration set in and the battling Motherwell equalized with a goal from Walker. In the second half the two teams appeared more likely to score than Celtic, who breathed more easily when Gardner, the Motherwell goalkeeper, was adjudged to have pulled down Johnston. McStay, in contrast, the Aberdeen showed much of their old poise and confidence in beating Dundee United 3-2 at Pittodrie, where both teams were applauded by the 15,000 crowd for a display of sparkling attacking football. Excellent goals were scored for Aberdeen by Hewitt (two) and McDougall and for United by Sturrock and Redfern.

St Mirren, however, were showing signs of their normal selves, losing 0-3 to Hearts of Midlothian at Onyiah, and they earned severe criticism from their manager, Alex Miller.

The Rangers home slump continues. Their 2-1 defeat by Hibernian, their third in succession at Ibrox, means that they have slipped two points behind the league leaders.

Tottenham take time to wake up

By Clive White

Coventry City.....2
Tottenham Hotspur.....3

Sunday morning football seemed to suit Tottenham Hotspur in almost all respects but that matter of winning. But even that seemed to matter not to the home crowd judging by the way they cheered both sides from the field at the end of an extraordinary game.

It was one which entertained and bemused 13,545 people - two and a half thousand more than usual at Highfield Road. We had goals scored, goals missed including penalties converted and unconverted - superb individualism, embarrassing culpits, even split-personality goalkeeping.

Coventry, recovering from a third minute goal, should have had the game won by half time against Tottenham Hotspur team who looked as though they usually rise in the morning half an hour later than this kick-off time. But Coventry

failed to press over their initiative and Tottenham awoke to discover that even more alarming inroads had been made in the Coventry defence than in their own. By the end Coventry's unbeaten run of seven games had somehow come to an end, as had Tottenham's shorter unbeaten run.

The London club had kept six places up the table.

The solemnity of a Sunday morning made for an unreal feeling which Peter Shreeve, the Tottenham manager, described, more appropriately than he imagined considering the venue, as like a "cathedral atmosphere". But after Hoddle's eerie opening goal from a penalty awarded for a foul by Tottenham, Coventry noisily roared back into it with two goals in six minutes through Bennett after Clemence had suffered an aberration, and Kildine from a penalty after Miller had tripped Spurs' centre forward, Gary Down, to 15 days inactivity with Stevens doing so well in his first match in seven months. Lack of match fitness cost him a booking.

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especially since it was the England goalkeeper who was picking the ball out of the net.

Shilton, hardly troubled by Turkey, in midweek, had not conceded a goal for almost a month. Stein scored a treble on his 28th birthday. In their previous home game Luton had ended Manchester United's 100 per cent record.

Yet Stein is still a long way behind McEwen. The West Ham United forward is making such rapid progress that he is outstrip-

Albion see the light

By Clive White

West Bromwich Albion.....2
Birmingham City.....1

"How far are we behind now?" Albion's victorious captain asked - probably for the first time this season - after his team had finally remembered how to win. One was tempted to tell him 29 points, but the new-found optimism has not reached that far yet. His enquiry more modestly referred to the safety of the 19th position, something akin to heaven when you have been through hell as Albion have.

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Grounds for the extraordinary

By David Powell

The main argument for the artificial pitch is that it allows games to go on while others are weather-hill. Now another plus factor is that the season's most important matches are being played on artificial pitches.

Last season it was the 10-goal draw at Loftus Road between Queen's Park Rangers and Newcastle United which stood as the season's most unusual scoreline. On Saturday it was the 7-0 defeat of Southampton by Luton Town at Kenilworth Road which provided the most spectacular result so far this season.

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MOTOR RACING

The crest of a wave carries Mansell to second triumph

By John Blunsden

The manner in which Nigel Mansell stamped his authority on the South African Grand Prix - starting from pole position and winning after leading all but one of the 75 laps - is another reminder that a driver's first win is invariably the most difficult to secure. It took Mansell eight years and 72 races to win his first grand prix at the 1977 British Grand Prix at Silverstone. Mansell's potential in Formula One has been evident for a considerable time, but he needed that first win in order to ease the tension and provide himself with the confidence which was such an important part of his victory in South Africa. His latest success has lifted him into joint fifth place in the world championship alongside his Canoe Williams partner, Keke Rosberg, who once again was the most spectacular driver on the circuit.

Rosberg might well have won at Kyalami had he not slid off the circuit having encountered an oil slick a few seconds after taking the lead from Mansell, and his fightback from fifth place to second, during which he repeatedly towed the lap record, involved a scintillating display of on-the-limit driving. Mansell had a busy few seconds simultaneously coping with the oil and Rosberg's sliding car, but the crisis was soon overcome.

This was the race in which the Marlboro McLaren team were hoping to clinch the constructors' world championship, but it was not to be, with Niki Lauda breaking a turbo on lap 40 and his successor as world champion, Alain Prost, slipping to third place in the closing laps before coxing his fuel-starved McLaren TAG across the finishing line ahead of the surviving Ferrari of Stefan Johansson.

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Clive Brittain now plans a late autumn campaign in North America for Pebbles, the brilliantly easy conqueror of Slip Anchor and Palace Music in the Newmarket Stakes at Newmarket on Saturday.

There are several good races before flying to Paris yesterday morning. And if Sheikh Mohammed gives his approval, I'd like to start her off in the mile-and-a-half Breeders' Cup after all, judged by the way she thinks that she is sure to stay the track like Aqueduct on a sharp Pebbles' total domination of a high-class field was little short of incredible. Not since the time Charter won the Champion by

Big-race details

2.20 DUBAI CHAMPION STAKES (Group 1, 1m 20, 100,000) 1m 20, 100,000. Pebbles (10-1) 1m 20, 100,000. Slip Anchor (10-1) 1m 20, 100,000. Palace Music (10-1) 1m 20, 100,000.

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"After she had been beaten by Palace Music last year, I told the owners that if they let me keep her in training, I'd improve her by 10lb and win the race for the first time. She only looked unimpressive in her gallops because I didn't want to overdo her."

The trainer then paid tribute to his staff. "For the past week, John Harkness, my head man, has looked after her, and several others have kept a 24-hour watch over the filly. The blacksmith even walked down to the start with her in case she spread a plate."

It was a great shame that affairs of state prevented Sheikh Mohammed from being present at such a marvellous moment. One look at the rapturous expressions of joy on the faces of the winning connections was enough to show why they had been lavishing so many millions of pounds and dollars on their favourite sport, and no one could possibly begrudge them their hour of glory after having won their own race.

After having made the early running, Slip Anchor stayed on gamely to take second place ahead of Palace Music and Helen Street. The Derby winner emerged from his final credit of the season with immense credit and it was no disgrace to have been outpaced by Pebbles, racing over her optimum distance. "Slip Anchor ran a great race," Henry Cecil said, "and I'm looking forward to running him in the top mile-and-a-half races next season."



Victory dash: Pebbles sprints clear of Slip Anchor and Palace Music (left) to capture the Dubai Champion Stakes

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Tony Murray was forced to put up 4lb overweight on the winner and Eddery 8lb on Jamesmead, who was only beaten two lengths into second place. Sneak Preview, who finished a close fourth, would also have been in the handicap if the weights had been raised 13lb and Bourbon Boy, the third home, would have been faced with a stiffer task.

In view of the rumours circulating beforehand that Destroyer was unlikely to run in any event, the Newmarket stewards have reported the matter to the disciplinary committee of the Jockey Club. Kim Brassey, Destroyer's trainer, said yesterday: "The horse last ran in the Doncaster Cup, when he blew up. He then got a nail in the pedal bone of his off-fore and went lame. He

consequently had to miss the Jockey Club Cup."

He has been intermittently lame ever since, but I was keen to run in the Cesarewitch as he needed a race before the Prix Royal Oak next Sunday.

"I was at the Newmarket sales on Friday. The horse was sound when he was declared at 10am but when I rang my assistant at Lambourn at midday, after Destroyer had been exercised with Second Lot, he said that he thought the animal was lame. My vet visited the yard at 5pm, said the horse was not fit to run and issued the necessary certificate. At about 6pm a member of Racecourse Security Services arrived and we had the horse trotted out to show him that he was lame. Since then all hell seems to have broken loose."

Death of royal jockeys

Harry Wragg and Harry Carr, both royal jockeys, died on Saturday. Wragg, who was 83, was champion jockey in 1941 and won 13 classics including three Derbys on Featland (1928), Blenheim (1930) and Walling Street (1942). He trained Biddium to win the 1961 Derby and was Britain's longest-serving trainer when he handed over to his son, Geoff, in 1983.

Carr, who was 68, won six classics, including the 1959 Derby on Pastiche. However, he is probably best remembered for his association with Meld.

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Holloway Wonder favoured by ground conditions

By Mandarin

Bryan McMahon can equal his best total of a season by adding Holloway Wonder to win the Hartley Cooper and Warner Handicap at Chepstow this afternoon. The 19-year-old gelding, who won 19 winners two years ago and victories by Sea High at Haydock on Thursday and Impala Lass at Canterbury on Friday brought this season's tally to 15.

Holloway Wonder has been given little respite by the handicapper, since winning the last two races at the juvenile level, but she is a useful handicapper when conditions are in her favour and she has a chance second to none today.

Like most of the best of her kind, she has a marked preference for some give in the ground and today's good to soft going looks ideal. Added to this, she always seems to be at her best at this time of year as her placed efforts in good handicaps at Haydock and Newbury in October last year would indicate.

In those races the best seasoned sprinters such as Ardross Lad, Amigo Loco, Manistart and Padre Pio and few of this moderate field could compete with her. Six furlongs is her optimum trip and with the handicap compressed by the safety limit of 20, she has to give only 7lb to the bottom weights.

Easy Range and Eddery, both Chepstow winners, took the pick of the opposition but they have had busy seasons and Holloway Wonder, well drawn at 17, will strip much faster than most of her rivals after only three previous races.

John Dunlop has had few blank days lately and, with runners at all three meetings, the Arundel trainer seems sure to be among the winners today. I envisage a treble for him at Chepstow with Leicester Lad (3.0), Palaestra (4.0) and Lammer (5.0), I particularly like the first-named who finally got off the mark when brought back to 19 miles at Lingfield Park earlier this month and again races over that trip today.

Dunlop should also be on the mark at Leicester with the well-bred Dmof in the first division of the Hare Maiden Filly Stakes and Snyda Salena in the Bagder Stakes. The latter has always been well thought of by Dunlop and won a better race than this by a short head at Newmarket last time after going

down by the same margin at Newbury.

Michael Stoute introduced Dolka to win for the Aga Khan at Newmarket on Saturday and the same combination could take both parts of the second division of the Hare Maiden Filly Stakes with the unraced pair, Kabylla and Alayna. Stoute can also take the other two-year-old race, the Hedgehog Stakes, with Skeek, reappearing quickly after gaining her second impressive success at Pontefract a week ago.

At Hamilton Park, the best bet may be 1 Love Lucy against the opening Murdoon Maiden Filly Stakes. Paul Kelleway's two-year-old

French Union is likely to start one of the outsiders although he has shown some ability on the Flat in Ireland and over hurdles in Britain. He was a race for amateur jockeys in Ireland last year and since joining Nicholson has been successful over hurdles at Stratford and Bangor.

showed good speed to the furlong marker in a much better six-furlong event at Lingfield 11 days ago and she reverts to the minimum trip here.

Kelleway saddles Sprouton Boy in the Thacker Stakes but this race should produce a well-deserved first win for Brazzaca, who has been runner-up in her last four races, named them in much better company.

Shernazar, badly hampered on the home turn in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, will have one more race before retiring. Michael Stoute said: "Shernazar came back all right from Paris and will go for the one and a half mile Breeders' Cup race in New York or the Japan Cup."

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Jupiter Island puts icing on the cake

From Desmond Stoneham, Paris

Clive Brittain ended a remarkable weekend in style when Jupiter Island won the Prix de la Ville de Paris at Longchamp by three lengths from the outsider, Baby Turk, and the odds-on favourite, Saint Estephe.

Brittain, still excited after winning the Dubai Champion Stakes with Pebbles, said: "I will be back with her to win next year's Arc de Triomphe providing Sheikh Mohammed allows her to stay in training."

The racing at Longchamp yesterday afternoon was dominated by English-based jockeys as lives landed a double when partnering the Swedish-trained, Miss Starline, to victory in the Prix du Petit Couron and Steve Causton came with a beautifully timed late run to take the group three Prix de Conde on Minatzen.

The five-furlong Prix du Petit Couron was virtually a match between Craigie and Miss Starline and with a furlong left to run it looked as if the former would win the group three event but Craigie, who had to be handled, was overtaken by Steve Causton on the final furlong to win going away.

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Absence of finesse in Hawick victory

By Ian McLauchlan

Hawick looked anything but champions at Raeburn Place on Saturday. They scored an 18-7 win over Edinburgh Academicals, but could not score any tries, despite a monopoly of lineout ball. Class, the stand-off, recorded all of their points with six penalties. The home team scores were a penalty by Swanson and a try by Dunlop.

The game was not a classic but the only one to play and enterprise shown came from Academicals. Hawick changed their back line, which was pedantic and predictable in attack and suspect in defence.

Paton, Macrae and Howgate all caused their visitors' anxiety moments and only a lack of composure at the crucial time denied the Academicals scores on more than one occasion. Hawick, badly though they are playing still remain unbeaten.

Watsonians are still top of the league, despite being given a fearful pack. The Borders could not convert pressure into points and Watsonians ran out 18-7 winners. Scotland 24-10. Dunkey, the wing, making his debut, ran in two of the team's six tries.

Boroughmuir unbeaten, are finding tries difficult to score. They only recorded one on Saturday as they beat Selkirk 24-7. The home side, though hit by injury, should have recorded a more convincing win and if they are to be considered true title challengers must score more tries.

Heriots were easy 18-4 winners against Preston Lodge. Murdoch opened a gap for Stevens to score a try. But quickly collected a penalty and converted both tries. Hewitt completed their scoring with a late penalty. The Preston Lodge points came from a Gurney try just after the interval.

Jed-Forest found their visitors, Stewarts/Melrose, an uncompromising mood and were 21 points down in as many minutes. Spence, Ferguson and the Calder brothers, Finlay and John, had tries. Frame added two more later in the game and Scott completed the scoring with a penalty and two conversions. Jed-Forest's only reply was two penalties by Miller.

WEEKEND RESULTS

INTERNATIONALS

Ireland 15
France 6

SCOTLAND 24-10
Dunkey 24-10

CLUB MATCHES

Edinburgh 18-7
Academicals 18-7

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9.20 *Pelléas et Mélisande*: acts four and five of the Lyon Opéra

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One year on and the squalor stays in Korem

From Paul Vallely, Korem, Ethiopia

One year after the BBC film which alerted the western world to the enormity of the famine in Ethiopia there is still a large and squalid refugee camp at Korem. There are no longer more than 100 people dying every day. There are no longer the huge unmanageable masses of humanity which once crowded the plains. There are no longer the same problems about getting food up the steep and serpentine roads on to the 6,000 ft plateau. But as Bob Geldof discovered, when he visited the place on the final leg of his tour of the famine areas of Africa, it is still a sump of human degradation. "No human being should be forced to live in circumstances like this. It is not enough for us to have kept them alive if this is how we condemn them to live," he said, surrounded by a crowd of several thousand strong, who still flock to a white face in the hope of receiving something. There are now about 20,000 destitute highlanders in Korem. In January there were around 85,000. But there is an air of sullen permanence to those who remain. The months of food aid have made them comparatively healthy. But though they have lost the dreadful listlessness of malnutrition they have developed the apathy of people whose lives have lost all natural rhythm, and indeed it seems at times, all sense of purpose. The adults sit, like bored Western teenagers, and stare. The children mob and beg with an aggression which is alarming. Ethiopian government policy is now to dismantle the camps or at least turn them into emergency centres through which people would quickly pass once they had been given courses of intensive feeding to restore their health. The model camp in this respect is the one run by the Irish charity Concern at Harbo to the south of Korem which the Band Aid team also visited yesterday. It has a population of only 1,400 and a turnover of only three or four weeks for each inmate. But Korem is too big to be transformed in this way. In recent weeks the Government has tried to cut down the numbers by sending 11,000 Tigrayans from the camp to their homes further north. It has allocated to them a food distribution centre at Maychew from which they can collect dry rations once a month. Now it is planning to send more than half the remaining people in Korem back to their homes in the Sekota district, which the Ethiopian Army captured several months ago from the rebels of the Ethiopian Peoples Democratic Movement. Health workers at Korem expect to begin work on screening those who have returned in the next fortnight.

Bradford award

The editor of the *Telegraph & Argus*, Bradford, Mr Terry Quinn, has won the £1,236 Samuel Storey Editorial Award, mainly for his paper's "superb" coverage of the Bradford City football fire disaster.

Pictorial triumph from 22,000 miles



Priest delivers a 'second miracle'

What has been described as the second miracle of a tiny west of Ireland village is expected this week when a Boeing 737 packed with pilgrims takes off from the Republic's proposed fourth international airport. The vagaries of the western seaboard's notoriously wet climate and the professional judgement of licensing officials at the Department of Communications will also decide if the dream of the wily parish priest of Knock becomes a reality. But, God willing, the first three passenger flights will leave in a blaze of publicity, confounding the sceptics and knockers of the Knock airport project. Predictably, the 405 Roman Catholic faithful booked on to the flights are heading for Rome, from what everyone in the Republic knows as Knock airport but the man whose inspiration it was, Mgr James Horan, has never called anything but the more grandiose Connacht regional airport. Dismissed by many as "Knock nonsense", and described by Mr Jim Mitchell, the Minister for Communications, as "an ill-advised project, far distant from any sizeable town, high on a foggy and boggy hill" the airport, nevertheless, swallowed IR£9 million of public money before Dr Garret FitzGerald halted funds years ago. Despite grave doubts about the practicality of building an airport 650 feet above the sea on a plateau surrounded by Co Mayo bogland, and by arguments that in a country of the Republic's size a fourth international airport made no economic sense, the indefatigable Mgr Horan remained undaunted. After the Government refused any further public money he set about raising the IR£3 million needed to complete a project begun by a private company with a nominal capital of only IR£100. He travelled the world, appealing to wealthy expatriate Irishmen, and organized lodges and house to house collections in the west of Ireland. Although the official opening is not due until next April, with the start of the pilgrimage package season, the airport has hired key staff in preparation for Friday's three flights taking the Knock Shrine Stewards and Handmaids Organization to Rome as part of the celebrations of their golden jubilee. Yesterday Mgr Horan was confident the airport, 10 miles north-west of the Marian shrine at Knock, where in 1879 it is claimed there was an apparition of the Virgin Mary, would meet 18 conditions laid down by the Department of Communications last month. "We have had a high-power delegation of Aer Lingus officials here who were all very happy with the situation. All the conditions have been implemented and we expect our licence," he said. Mgr Horan has the backing of most local people who regard the airport, which he first thought of as he bade farewell to the Pope after his visit to the shrine in 1979, as a badly needed boost to the area. Some business people predict that as many as 200,000 people would use the airport each year. While it is accepted that a straight cost benefit analysis the airport will never pay for itself, it is a benefit in infrastructure, employment and industry in one of the poorest areas of the Republic. It was the plight of the west, with unemployment rates as high as 49 per cent that Mgr Horan cleverly played upon, along with political instability during the early 1980s, when every vote counted - to persuade politicians to back his scheme. The priest recognized the enormous value that the publicity surrounding what was portrayed as a typical Irish yarn (building an airport in a bog) would do for fund raising, as well as for the village of Knock. He thanks God that he has been able to bring the airport to its present stage of development, though whether that view is shared by Aer Lingus, who run the Republic's three other international airports, at Cork, Dublin and Shannon, or officials whose policy remains to promote Shannon as the gateway to the West and Atlantic routes, is doubtful.

Richard Ford

Besieged white kills black in attack near Cape Town

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colleagues must ask yourselves whether, and to what extent, your irresponsible speeches and visits to terrorist organizations are contributing to inspire certain unlawful elements to act against peaceful communities."

Mr Botha's uncompromising attitude comes after the decision last week - which he said was carried out with his full knowledge and approval - to refuse passports to a group of students at the University of Stellenbosch, of which he is Chancellor, who planned to meet members of the ANC Youth League in Lusaka.

Afrikaner intellectuals as well as government officials were reported this weekend to be seriously disappointed at what they termed Mr Botha's "heavy-handed and autocratic" behaviour. All three major Afrikaans daily newspapers of the Nationalist Pers group, of which Mr

Botha was once a director and which normally give him unquestioned support, have published editorials criticizing his action against the students. Mr Edlin described the rejection of the appeal for Mr Botha's personal intervention in the Western Cape as "utterly depressing" and lacking any understanding of the fundamental causes of the massive estrangement between the people and the authorities.

Africa has been a much-photographed continent of late, with the focus on racial strife in the south and even more basic deprivation in the arid regions farther north. In those conditions, photographic problems are largely human, the technical ones long since overcome (Peter Barnard writes).

The reverse applies to this photograph of Africa. Getting the raw image back to Earth is only the beginning. It then goes through processes which include eliminating the banding effect similar to the line faults on TV screens, enhancing definition and allowing clearer delineation between similar land masses.

This photograph, in an exhibition of work by government photographers which opens at London's Science Museum on Wednesday, was taken last month from a Meteosat-2 satellite.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, opens the new workshop development at North Street Farm, Stoke Newington, Somerset; arrives at Yeovil Station, 9.15. Princess Anne attends the Trafalgar Night Dinner on board HMS Victory, Hampshire, 7.30. The Duke of Gloucester, President, National Association of Boys' Clubs, visits clubs in Hampshire; arrives IOW, East Cowes, 10; and then Woodlands Secondary School, Southampton, 10.55. Prince Michael of Kent visits C-in-C Fleet, Northwood, 12.45.

Last chance to see

The Sorrells at the Phoenix, Phoenix Gallery, Lavenham, Suffolk; Mon 10 to 3.30 (ends today).

Music

St Alban's Festival: organ recital by Harry Braham, 1.10; Birmingham School of Music centenary concert, 7.30, St Alban's Church, Birmingham. Recital by Julia Rayson (clarinet) and Melita Kolin (piano), St Mary the Virgin, High Street, Oxford, 1.15. Concert by the Bath Georgian Festival Orchestra, Pump Room, Bath, 7.30. Organ recital by Doreen Mitton, Chapel of Trinity and All Saints College, Horsforth, Leeds, 12.25. Organ recital by Tim Hone, Coventry Cathedral, 1.

Exhibitions in progress

Exhibition of paintings by Nicholas Fairburn; Marine Court Hotel, Fairfield Road, Ayr; Mon-Sun 10am-10pm (ends November 9). 104th Annual Royal Ulster Academy of Arts exhibition, Ulster

Museum, Botanic Gardens, Belfast; Mon-Fri 10-5, Sat 1-5, Sun 2-5pm (ends Sunday).

War and Peace Sculpture Centenary exhibition 1883-1983, by Charles Sargeant Jagger, Mappin Art Gallery, Weston Park, Sheffield; Mon-Sat 10-5, Sun 2-5. Ten Years of Paintings, Prints and Drawings by Helen Waddell, Cheltenham Art Gallery and Museum, Clarence Street, Cheltenham; Mon-Sat 10-5.15 closed Sun.

The papers

The vote of the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire miners was more against Arthur Scargill than the National Union of Mineworkers, the Mirror says. "It was he who led the miners to the most disastrous defeat of any union in modern times," it adds, commenting "He swore he would stop pit closures. They have accelerated. He promised to save jobs. Even more have been lost. Almost any other man responsible for such a catalogue of catastrophe would have stood down. But not Mr Scargill. With his approval, the NUM rules were changed. So he will never have to face a national, Wildfire Appeal mining areas will now come under the discipline of an immediate national union executive." One union for miners still makes sense. But Mr Scargill has made it impossible.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debate on industrial innovation and design. Lords (2.30): Debates on European union and on CAP.

Wildlife Appeal

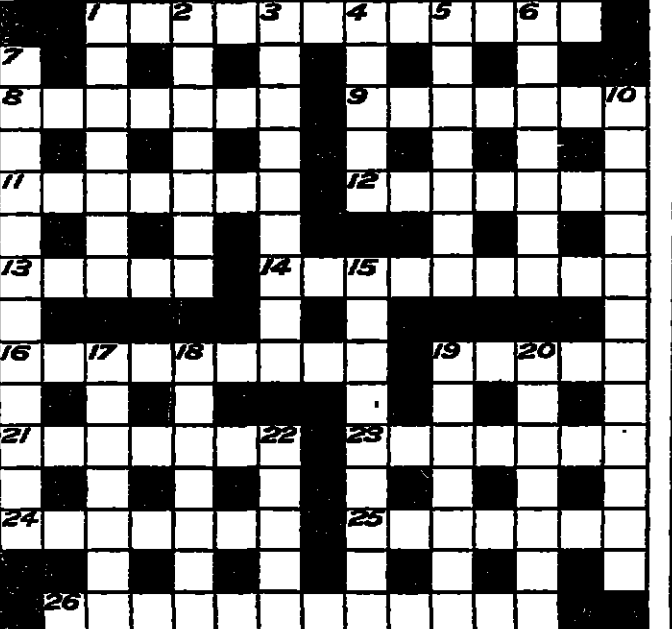
The Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Naturalists' Trust has announced a target of £1 million over the next five years, as part of the National Wildlife Appeal. BBONT already owns and manages more than 80 nature reserves, totalling over 2,500 acres. The new money is needed to buy notable wildlife sites as soon as they come to the market; put in hand management plans tailored to the needs of wildlife and keep the public up to date with the struggle to protect wildlife in the three counties. Its immediate target is £34,000 to buy a substantial part of Yarnston Mead, an ancient lot meadow, for centuries preserved by local farmers and now threatened by a nationally-renowned for its wealth of wild flowers and butterflies. The appeal's address is PO Box 61, Oxford OX4 3JJ.

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Germany	3.45	3.45
Greece	225.00	225.00
Italy	1,422	1,422
Japan	239.00	239.00
Netherlands	312.00	312.00
Norway	11.72	11.72
Portugal	200.00	200.00
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Sweden	11.72	11.72
Switzerland	3.45	3.45
USA	1.42	1.42
Yugoslavia	480.00	480.00

The Solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 16,872 will appear next Saturday

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,873



ACROSS

- 1 Attractive bridge partner can give direction (8,4).
- 2 A musician receiving a ring and a crown (7).
- 3 Urge in deserts to go back, causing shock (7).
- 4 "A dwarfish whole, its body brevity, and wit, its soul" (Coleridge) (7).
- 5 Cancelling a singer's arrangement (7).
- 6 Sheepish creature brought to the pounds in town (5).
- 7 Hardy girl holding a quarter rent back for flat (9).
- 8 Having a right wild time is a bloomer (9).
- 9 News page article by combine (5).
- 10 Showing no respect for the rogue with debts (7).
- 11 The Spanish and French besiege soldiers showing resistance (7).
- 12 Not a hearty eater, though he may well eat a lot (7).
- 13 Current producer adds nothing to the Greyfriars chronicle (7).
- 14 Champions - so sporting at play (12).

DOWN

- 1 Muscular trouble in greater part of a joint (7).
- 2 The military man isn't particularly (7).

3 It meets as ordered for judges (9).

- 4 Children's dispute (5).
- 5 Claim head accepting state backing (7).
- 6 A number burn coal (7).
- 7 Rate increase (12).
- 8 Arid, possibly in the area for making records (12).
- 9 An American politician (9).
- 10 Sort of drinking-place used by office-workers? (4-3).
- 11 Illuminated at night - naturally (7).
- 12 Quietly shelves certain promises (7).
- 13 The hineswoman (7).
- 14 A gesture made by uncaring people (5).

Nature notes

A few red-necked phalaropes from the far north are passing through southern England. (There has been one at Cley Marshes in Norfolk over the past three weeks, with lines of people watching it through telescopes from the side of the A49.) In autumn plumage they are almost pure white; they swim close to the edge of a pool, perpetually nodding as they pick food from the surface.

Other waders at the height of their breeding have been seen in the Norfolk and Suffolk fens. Redwing and fieldfare are coming in, and there have been some large flocks of bramblings on the east coast. Woodpeckers are tearing acorns from the oak-trees while grey squirrels run about on the ground beneath, picking up the ones that they drop.

Norway maples are falling fast, and some horse-chestnut trees are almost bare. Among flowers still in bloom are red and white clover, corn sowbistle and wild pansy; yellow valerian on country walls; yellow horned poppy, with its fleshy grey stems, on beaches; and dusty patches of mallow on the roadside. DJM

Anniversaries

Births: Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Olney, St Mary, 1772; Alphonse de Lamartine, poet and statesman, Macon, France, 1790; Alfred Nobel, chemist and industrialist, founder of the Nobel Prizes, Stockholm, 1833; Deaconess, Waller, poet, Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire, 1687; Heratino First Viscount Nelson was killed at Battle of Trafalgar, 1805; Arthur Schnitzler, dramatist, Vienna, 1931.

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Roads

Middlesex M6 Contrailow E of Birmingham between junctions 5 (Birmingham) and 4 (Birmingham Airport and NEC); 2 lanes each way. Junction 4 northbound entry slip closed 7.30am-9.30am and 3.30-6.30, Mon-Fri. Southbound entry slip closed 7.30-9.30am at junction 5.

Wales and West M4: Two sets of contraflow between junctions 22 and 23, Chepstow to Magor road, Gwent; Delays eastbound. No contraflow entry at junction 23. A350: Delays on Shaftesbury to Blandford Rd, between Cann Hill and Compton Abbas, Dorset; diversions for large vehicles signposted. A40: Contraflow in Gibraltar between Mooraburn and Raglan, Gwent; one tunnel only.

Norfolk M62: Contraflow between junctions 32 (A10) and 33 (A11) on York Road; westbound delays; work on the eastbound slip road at junction 32. A1088: Traffic restrictions at Tees Newborth Bridge, Cleveland; no westbound access from junction of Newborth Bridge approach road to Newborth roundabout. A15: Lane closures at Caterick bypass, N Yorkshire; north and southbound carriageways.

Scotland: M9: Closures on both carriageways between junctions 10 and 11, Shirling to Bridge of Allan. M74: "Knot-hole" carriageway closed between junction 4 and S of junction 3 near Hamilton; contraflow on northbound. A92: single lane traffic 2 miles N of Bridge of Cally, Perthshire.

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Bond winners

Winning numbers in the weekly draw for Premium Bonds are: £100,000, 35A2 187695; £25,000, 765094 (Westminster); £25,000, 16AP 736743 (Merseyside).

Weather forecast

A ridge of high pressure will cover the United Kingdom. All districts are expected to be dry although northern Scotland will be rather cloudy.

6am to midnight

London, SE, E, NW, Central N, NE, East, E Anglia, E W Midlands, N Wales, Lake District: Fog patches at first, dry, sunny periods developing; wind E, light or moderate; max temp 13 to 15C (55 to 59F). Central S, SW England, Channel Islands, S Wales: Fog patches at first, dry, sunny periods developing; wind E, light or moderate; max temp 13 to 15C (55 to 59F). NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Rather cloudy, mainly dry; wind SW, moderate or fresh; max temp 10 to 12C (50 to 54F). Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Dry with overnight fog and frost in places but a little rain in parts of NW later. Near normal temperatures.

Sea passages: S North Sea: Wind SE light; sea smooth. Straits of Dover: English Channel (E): Wind E moderate or fresh; sea moderate. SE English Channel (W): Wind SE light or moderate; sea slight.

Full Moon: October 20.

Lighting-up time

London 6.25 pm to 7.05 am. Belfast 6.35 pm to 7.15 am. Edinburgh 6.28 pm to 7.08 am. Newcastle 6.20 pm to 7.00 am. Perthshire 6.40 pm to 7.20 am.

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, rain; n, sun. Belfast: c 13.5, f 57, n 57. Birmingham: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Bristol: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Cardiff: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Edinburgh: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Glasgow: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. London: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Manchester: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Newcastle: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Perthshire: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Plymouth: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Portsmouth: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Reading: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Southampton: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Swansea: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Tyneside: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Wakefield: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. Wolverhampton: c 12.5, f 55, n 55. York: c 12.5, f 55, n 55.

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 15C (59F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 10C (50F). Humidity: 6 pm, 59 per cent. Rain: 24 hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 2.8 hr. Bar: mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,025.5 mbars.

Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Eastbourne, 16C (61F); lowest day temp: Edinburgh, 11C (52F). Highest night temp: London, 10C (50F); lowest night temp: Edinburgh, 5C (41F). Highest rainfall: 0.5 in. Lowest rainfall: 0.1 in. Highest sunshine: 6.5 hr. Lowest sunshine: 0.5 hr.

Letter from Co Mayo

What has been described as the second miracle of a tiny west of Ireland village is expected this week when a Boeing 737 packed with pilgrims takes off from the Republic's proposed fourth international airport.

The vagaries of the western seaboard's notoriously wet climate and the professional judgement of licensing officials at the Department of Communications will also decide if the dream of the wily parish priest of Knock becomes a reality. But, God willing, the first three passenger flights will leave in a blaze of publicity, confounding the sceptics and knockers of the Knock airport project.

Predictably, the 405 Roman Catholic faithful booked on to the flights are heading for Rome, from what everyone in the Republic knows as Knock airport but the man whose inspiration it was, Mgr James Horan, has never called anything but the more grandiose Connacht regional airport.

Dismissed by many as "Knock nonsense", and described by Mr Jim Mitchell, the Minister for Communications, as "an ill-advised project, far distant from any sizeable town, high on a foggy and boggy hill" the airport, nevertheless, swallowed IR£9 million of public money before Dr Garret FitzGerald halted funds years ago.

Despite grave doubts about the practicality of building an airport 650 feet above the sea on a plateau surrounded by Co Mayo bogland, and by arguments that in a country of the Republic's size a fourth international airport made no economic sense, the indefatigable Mgr Horan remained undaunted.

After the Government refused any further public money he set about raising the IR£3 million needed to complete a project begun by a private company with a nominal capital of only IR£100. He travelled the world, appealing to wealthy expatriate Irishmen, and organized lodges and house to house collections in the west of Ireland.

Although the official opening is not due until next April, with the start of the pilgrimage package season, the airport has hired key staff in preparation for Friday's three flights taking the Knock Shrine Stewards and Handmaids Organization to Rome as part of the celebrations of their golden jubilee.

Yesterday Mgr Horan was confident the airport, 10 miles north-west of the Marian shrine at Knock, where in 1879 it is claimed there was an apparition of the Virgin Mary, would meet 18 conditions laid down by the Department of Communications last month. "We have had a high-power delegation of Aer Lingus officials here who were all very happy with the situation. All the conditions have been implemented and we expect our licence," he said.

Mgr Horan has the backing of most local people who regard the airport, which he first thought of as he bade farewell to the Pope after his visit to the shrine in 1979, as a badly needed boost to the area. Some business people predict that as many as 200,000 people would use the airport each year.

While it is accepted that a straight cost benefit analysis the airport will never pay for itself, it is a benefit in infrastructure, employment and industry in one of the poorest areas of the Republic. It was the plight of the west, with unemployment rates as high as 49 per cent that Mgr Horan cleverly played upon, along with political instability during the early 1980s, when every vote counted - to persuade politicians to back his scheme.

The priest recognized the enormous value that the publicity surrounding what was portrayed as a typical Irish yarn (building an airport in a bog) would do for fund raising, as well as for the village of Knock. He thanks God that he has been able to bring the airport to its present stage of development, though whether that view is shared by Aer Lingus, who run the Republic's three other international airports, at Cork, Dublin and Shannon, or officials whose policy remains to promote Shannon as the gateway to the West and Atlantic routes, is doubtful.

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